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## WARSHIPS AND TRANSPORTS ARE NEAR VARNA

**Battleships Are Hammering a Bulgarian Port and Transports Loaded With Troops Are Ready to Enter as Soon as an Opening Is Made. Teutons Are Moving Toward Albania to Forestall Italian Occupation of the Albanian Coast—No Move Yet Against Allies in Macedonia, but Bulgars Are Concentrated on Serbo-Greek Border—Allies Landing More Men and Munitions at Salonica—Germans May Move on Calais and Also Toward Egypt. Turkey Claims to Have Plenty of Food and Other Supplies—Germany Votes Another Large War Credit.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 21.—The Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph says that sixteen transports filled with Russian troops and convoyed by a Russian cruiser and two destroyers, have arrived off the Bulgarian coast and are vigorously bombarding Varna, on the Black Sea, a few miles south of the Roumanian border. It has been reported several times recently the Russians would attempt to invade Bulgaria from the sea.

Durazzo, Albania, is reported to be the latest objective of the Teutonic-Bulgarian drive in the Balkans in an effort to forestall Italian occupation of the Albanian coast.

There is no development yet of a central powers offensive against the allies in Macedonia, but according to a report here, the Bulgarians are entraining along the Serbo-Greek border.

The entente allies are ceaselessly debarking men and munitions at Salonika.

Paris reports that Germany is preparing for two gigantic strokes, one at Calais and the other toward Egypt. Everything indicates the central powers will cross the Greek border as soon as they are ready, despite Greece's protest, according to a Salonika dispatch.

The Turks are reported concentrated in two divisions near the Greek border, while the Teutons are concentrating there daily.

Nothing important is reported from the other war fronts.

**Turkey Has Plenty Food.**

Berlin, Dec. 21.—Nazim Bey, secretary of the young Turks' committee, told the Associated Press here today that Turkey has abundant foods and war materials, including 30,000,000 kilograms of cotton and 40,000,000 kilograms of copper, which she can supply Germany the moment she solves the transportation problem, and he believes transportation will soon be

opened. He spoke bitterly on the world's impression of the Turkish-Armenian relations, especially in America, where he said the investigators were biased and went to the wrong source for information.

**Driven Into Sea.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Berlin, Dec. 21.—A Constantinople dispatch states the withdrawal of the British from the Anzac and Suvla Bay districts of Gallipoli, came as a result of a violent Turkish offensive, during which the English suffered heavy losses and were driven into the sea.

**Two British Steamers Sunk.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 21.—The British steamers Huntly and Belford have been sunk. The Belford's crew was saved. The fate of the Huntly's crew is unknown here.

**Light Casualties in Withdrawing.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 21.—The British casualties were only three men wounded in the withdrawal from Suvla Bay and Anzac, the official statement says. It adds that six guns were left at the Suvla position.

**Big German Credit.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 21.—The reichstag today adopted the credit of 10,000,000,000 marks asked by the government, according to a Berlin dispatch. The Socialist minority of nineteen opposed the vote.

**England Has Many Fighters.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 21.—In moving for a vote for 1,000,000 additional men, Premier Asquith told the house of commons today that England has a fighting force in the various war theaters of 1,125,000 men.

## FERGUSON PLEASSED WITH EASTERN TRIP

Held Conference With President and With Secretary Garrison on Border Situation.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 21.—Governor Ferguson Monday resumed his official duties as chief executive after having been absent from Texas for three weeks. Lieutenant Governor Hobby, who has been acting governor during the absence of Governor Ferguson, left for his home at Beaumont, accompanied by Mrs. Hobby.

Governor Ferguson visited Chicago, Washington, New York and St. Louis.

Governor Ferguson expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the conference he had with President Wilson and Secretary Lansing relative to the Mexican situation and he feels certain that the Mexican situation is now better understood in Washington than heretofore. The governor said that he told the president that General Carranza was fully capable of handling the situation, and that subsequent events in Mexico have clearly demonstrated that his argument was correct.

"I told the president that it was my opinion that Carranza would have Villa shorn of power within thirty days," said Governor Ferguson. "I was pleased today when I read the dispatches that Villa had quit. Information I gathered at Washington was that this government intended to aid Carranza in every way possible."

With reference to his conference with Secretary of War Garrison on the subject of the federal allotment for the Texas National Guard, the governor said it was very satisfactory and encouraging. The government has contended that the shortage in supplies furnished Texas was approximately \$90,000. During the conference Secretary Garrison practically agreed to reduce the amount to \$58,000. A further reduction is looked for.

Asked what decision he would reach in the movement for calling a special session of the legislature to correct errors in the primary election laws, Governor Ferguson said he had the matter under consideration and expected to soon solve the problem. He did not intimate what action he would take.

## ATTEMPT TO BLOW CITY HALL VAULT

Burglar Was Evidently Frightened Away, as He Left His Tools Near the Door of the Vault.

That an attempt to break into the city's vault in the city hall was made within the past few nights was discovered this morning by the negro janitor of the Colonial Theater while cleaning out the box office, which adjoins the vault. A small blacksmith hammer, a blunt iron and another iron instrument used by the burglar, were found in the office and the plaster on the wall between the office and the vault was chipped away. The steel wall had been hit several hard blows at this point, and the man's efforts were then turned to the back office, where he chipped a hole in the wall, and finding himself no nearer to his goal evidently abandoned the job and his tools. There is no clue other than the tools left, but the case has been reported to the officers.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES.**

Henry Smith and Mary Jones. Sam Williams and Cely Davenport. Lewis Andrews and Miss Emma Ducker. Jim Morris and Nettie Bell. Mitchell Jones and Victoria Turner.

**TWO NEGROES KILLED.**

Shooting Affray at Calvert Resulted in Deaths.

Calvert, Tex., Dec. 20.—In a shooting affray here Saturday night two negroes were killed. The dead negroes are Joe Benford and Plunk Davis. Officers here placed Sam and Erin Smith in jail and charged them with the shooting.

Theodore Creeks, a 13-year-old negro boy, was instantly killed from the accidental discharge of a shotgun Saturday afternoon. He was out hunting with two other boys and was walking behind them when the gun was accidental discharge. The shot tore a large hole in his right shoulder.

## BROOKS RESIGNED AS BAYLOR HEAD

Has Been President of University for Thirteen Years and Is Now a Candidate for the Senate.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 20.—Samuel Palmer Brooks, who has been president of Baylor University for the past thirteen years, has tendered his resignation, effective Jan. 1.

This action is taken so that Dr. Brooks can devote his entire time to his campaign for the United States senate. A meeting of the board of trustees will be held this week, at which time his successor may be appointed. His letter of resignation follows:

Hon. Pat M. Neff, President of the Board of Trustees of Baylor University, Waco, Tex.—Dear Sir and Brother: For thirteen years I have served Baylor University in my present position. It is my pleasure to acknowledge with grateful appreciation the constant and cordial assistance you and your colleagues of the board have rendered me. As is known to you through newspaper announcements, I am now a candidate for the United States senate. In consideration of this fact I hereby tender you my resignation as president of Baylor University to take effect Jan. 1, 1916, or at as early a date thereafter as is possible. Very sincerely,

S. P. BROOKS.

## THROUGHS GREETED WILSON AND BRIDE

Drove Immediately to Hotel in Automobile Amid the Applause of Crowds Gathered at the Station.

[By Associated Press.]  
Hot Springs, Va., Dec. 20.—President Wilson and his bride, the former Mrs. Norman Galt, arrived here shortly after 9 o'clock Sunday morning to spend their honeymoon. They were met at the station by a crowd of several hundred people, who applauded as they alighted from their private car.

The couple went immediately to their hotel in an automobile.

Congratulations From Over World. The distinguished couple upon whom the eyes of the nation turned Saturday night when they were married in Washington, came here to begin their married life in the quiet seclusion of the mountains of the state in which both of them were born.

They were followed here by congratulations from almost every part of the world. Messages of good wishes came from rulers of nations in Europe, presidents of South and Central American countries, governors of states, diplomats, members of the senate and house and justices of the supreme court and from scores of personal friends and relatives.

Many they will answer personally from here.

During the two weeks or more before returning to Washington to take up his official and social duties of the White House, the couple will golf, motor and climb mountains together and as far as possible be protected from the prying eyes of the outside world.

**THIS LETTER 45 YEARS IN REACHING ITS DESTINATION.**

Written by Rev. Samuel Ward the Day He Cast His Ballot for Lincoln.

[By Associated Press.]

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 20.—A letter written by Rev. Samuel Ward of Neoga, Ill., Nov. 6, 1860, the day he cast his ballot for "good Abe Lincoln," was received through the mails here yesterday by Prof. W. D. Ward of Occidental College, a son of H. O. Ward of Zanesville, Ohio, the man to whom it was addressed. Where the letter went after it was mailed will remain a mystery.

The next postmark after that of Neoga in 1860 is that of College Station, N. Y., Aug. 23, 1910. The letter reached Zanesville last October and after search had been made for the addressee, was forwarded here to Professor Ward, who lacks three days of being as old as the letter.

A lunch room on Duane street has solved the problem of the high cost of living. It advertises "Combination Breakfast and Supper—25c."—New York Evening Sun.

## DARDANELLES CONTEST MAY BE ABANDONED

**Withdrawal of British Troops From Gallipoli Looks Like an Abandonment of the Dardanelles Campaign—Bombs from a German Aeroplane Narrowly Missed the King and Queen of Belgium—Government Won in Greek Elections—British Monitors Shelled Belgium—Bulgars and Greeks Reported Skirmishing on Greek Border.**

**Shift British Troops.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 20.—The British troops were withdrawn from the Suvla and Anzac districts of Gallipoli Peninsula in the Dardanelles. The official announcement says they were "successfully transferred, with insignificant casualties to another sphere of operations."

The forces withdrawn from Gallipoli number 100,000. The war office did not say whether the entire Dardanelles campaign was being abandoned or whether the troops at the tip of the peninsula will remain.

The French announce the abandonment of a trench captured from the Germans a week ago.

**Narrowly Missed Crowned Heads.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 20.—Bombs recently dropped by German aeroplanes fell only a few yards from the king and

queen of Belgium while returning from church at a fishing village.

**Government Wins Greek Elections.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 20.—The Greek elections are peaceful and resulted in a large majority for the government party. Venizelos' supporters largely refrained from voting.

**Monitors Shelled Belgium.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Berlin, Dec. 20, 1915.—The entente monitors shelled the west end of Belgium yesterday, but the land batteries drove them away. German aviators attacked an allied troop camp at Poperinghe, near Ypres.

**Greeks and Bulgars Clash.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 20.—The Greeks and Bulgarians are reported skirmishing on the Greek frontier.

## TWO MILLION FOR TEXAS CAMPAIGN

A. and M. College Official Returned From Washington, Where He Held Conference on Appropriation.

Texas probably will fare well in the federal appropriations for the fight against citrus canker, according to E. J. Kyle, dean of the school of agriculture and professor of horticulture at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, who returned Friday from Washington. Dean Kyle went to the capital to direct the fight being made there for an appropriation with which to stamp out citrus canker in the coast state.

Congress was asked to appropriate \$4,000,000 for this work. Citrus growers from Texas, Florida and other states affected appeared before a conference of administrative officials at Washington, among them Dr. Houston, secretary of agriculture. Little hope for the appropriation sought was held out at this conference, according to Dean Kyle, but at a conference later with Dr. Houston, the secretary of agriculture seemed much impressed by the need of funds for the fight, said Mr. Kyle.

**Matter Given to Committee.**

"The matter was referred directly to the appropriations committee, as an emergency measure. The committee will be directed largely by the recommendations of Dr. Houston and that makes me hopeful that we will fare well at their hands," said Dean Kyle. "If the federal government is to be liberal in its appropriations for this fight the state governments will have to be equally liberal. The Washington officials say the fight must be a co-operative one."

"The citrus growers who were present are not asking for more than they deserve. The only way to combat the canker is to destroy all the trees, both infected trees and healthy trees. We are not asking that the grower be paid for the destruction of his diseased trees, but simply that he be paid a fair price for all healthy trees destroyed."

**Expect to Get About \$2,000,000.**

Texas expects to receive approximately \$2,000,000 for the fight in this state.

With Dean Kyle at Washington were Ed L. Ayres, plant pathologist in the state department of agriculture, and a number of citrus growers. Congressmen Young, Calloway, and Sumners attended the conference and assisted in the campaign for the appropriations.

"Unless we get sufficient funds with which to carry on the fight the citrus business in America is doomed. Florida citrus growers are in bad shape and Texas owners are in little better condition," said Dean Kyle.

## FATHER ARRESTED FOR GIRL'S DEATH

Strongly Protested Innocence, but Was Spirited Away to Greenville for Safe Keeping.

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Tex., Dec. 20.—T. R. Walton, 46 years of age, father of Miss Pauline Walton, the 17-year-old girl murdered in bed Saturday morning, was arrested early today and spirited away from Paris on a southbound train for fear of mob violence.

Walton protested his innocence. He was formally charged with the girl's murder. The physicians' examination showed evidence that the girl may have been attacked before she was killed. A man's derby hat was found outside the house and foot prints were on the earth and on the window sill of her brother's room, but her own window screen was nailed down. The neighbors declare the father's actions toward the girl were suspicious.

**Taken to Greenville.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Greenville, Tex., Dec. 20.—T. R. Walton was brought here for safe keeping.

## UNITED STATES TO GIVE VILLA ASYLUM

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 20.—The state department has decided to give Villa an asylum as a political refugee if he enters the United States.

Reliable information here states that final arrangements for Villa's entry into the United States will be made possible this afternoon.

## PEACE RESTORED IN NORTHERN MEXICO

Carranza and Villa Representatives Signed Peace Agreement Today in El Paso.

[By Associated Press.]

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 20.—(Bulletin)—Papers were signed here at noon today whereby the Villa faction in North Mexico agrees to conclude peace with Carranza. Villa is reported to be in Juarez. The Mexican consul here and former Villa lieutenant represented Villa at the conference.

## MARLIN BANKER WAS FOUND DEAD

Was in His Back Yard With Gun Lying Near—Had Been in Bad Health.

[By Associated Press.]

Marlin, Tex., Dec. 21.—The body of B. C. Clark, banker, was found in his back yard this morning with a shot in the chest and a gun lying by his side. He had been in ill health for some time.

## FAMILY PERISHED IN BURNING HOME

Foul Play Suspected, Following Blaze Which Destroyed Home of John Maye Monday.

[By Associated Press.]

Yorktown, Tex., Dec. 21.—At 3:30 a. m., John Maye and wife, one son, 15 years old, two daughters, aged 10 and 12 years and infant were burned to death with their home, five miles from here.

Officers are searching the country and bloodhounds are on the trail, foul play being suspected.

## NEGRO INTRUDER KILLED BY POSSE

Entered Home of Charlie Hill at Waldrip a Week Ago and Seriously Injured Mr. Hill.

[By Associated Press.]

Brady, Tex., Dec. 21.—A negro believed to be Otis Haywood, wanted for entering the home of Charlie Hill at Waldrip last week and who later seriously wounded Mr. Hill, was killed at a ranch house on the Colorado River last night by a posse.

## RIOTING BROKE OUT IN JUAREZ

Street Car Stoned and Passengers Robbed—Some Stores Closed, Others Looted.

[By Associated Press.]

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 21.—Rioting began in Juarez at noon today when a street car was stoned at the international bridge, and the passengers, including a number of Americans, were robbed. The car finally escaped back to El Paso. Several Juarez stores were closed and others were looted.



# WASHINGTON AWAITING THE OFFICIAL MESSAGE

**The Unofficial Report of Austria's Answer Received at Washington Is Disappointing and Unacceptable—The Diplomatic Relations Between the Two Countries Are Plainly at the Breaking Point—Austria Wants the Details of Our Complaint and Also Wants to Open Long Diplomatic Negotiations, to All of Which Washington Will Not Agree—Wilson and Lansing Reserve Comment Until the Official Reply Is Received—Serbian King to Take Refuge in Italy—Turks and Germans to Attack Suez Canal and Egypt—Bulgars and Greeks Form Neutral Zone.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 16.—Austria's reply to Secretary of State Lansing's note on the sinking of the Ancona is regarded, on the basis of the unofficial reports received today from London and Amsterdam, as wholly unsatisfactory, unacceptable and disappointing to the United States.

The diplomatic relations between the two countries may safely be described as at the breaking point.

President Wilson and Secretary Lansing are reserving comment until they receive the official text.

The reply, according to unofficial reports, expresses a desire to take up diplomatic negotiations regarding the Ancona case and asks for details of the complaint on which the United States based its note.

High state department officials today declared the United States will reject any proposal to start long negotiations.

Vienna advices today say that the tension there has lessened since the dispatch of the reply to America.

## Statement From London.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 16.—The text of the Austro-Hungarian reply to the American demands in the Ancona case, summarized, asks that the United States give the details of the complaint and denies that it is the duty of Austria to regard the Lusitania case as a precedent for a reply and offers to open negotiations to reach a settlement of the controversy.

## FOSTER'S WEATHER BULLETIN.

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Washington, Dec. 18.—Last bulletin gave forecasts of disturbance to cross continent Dec. 18 to 22, warm wave Dec. 17 to 21, cool wave Dec. 20 to 24. This will cause some increase of precipitation, particularly in Eastern sections, but this precipitation month—Dec. 12 to Jan. 10—is expected to be deficient in moisture, particularly east of the Rockies. This storm will be of moderate force on Pacific slope, but will increase as it moves eastward, beginning a dangerous storm out on the Atlantic about Dec. 24. Bad time to be on the Atlantic Ocean.

The next disturbance will reach the Pacific coast about Dec. 23, cross Pacific slope by close of Dec. 24, great central valleys Dec. 25 to 27, eastern sections Dec. 28. Warm wave will cross the Pacific slope about Dec. 23, central valleys Dec. 25, eastern sections Dec. 27. Cool wave will cross Pacific slope about Dec. 26, central valleys Dec. 28, eastern section Dec. 30.

This will be a severe winter storm from the Pacific to the Atlantic, with heavy snows in northern parts of Pacific slope and the Rockies and less precipitation east of the Rockies. Bad weather for unsheltered live stock and not a good time for humans to be out of doors.

Another disturbance will reach the Pacific coast about Dec. 28, cross the Pacific slope by the close of Dec. 29, central valleys Dec. 30 to Jan. 1, eastern sections Jan. 2. Warm wave will cross the Pacific slope about Dec. 28, central valleys Dec. 30, eastern sections Jan. 1. Cool wave will cross the Pacific slope about Dec. 31, central valleys Jan. 2, eastern section Jan. 4.

This will be about an average storm for this month, but we are now at the beginning of the great storm year of 1916 and the storm forces will continually be of greater intensity than the average for many years. Out on the North Atlantic this will be a severe storm about Jan. 4.

Indications are that January will average warmer than usual, but great

**Serbian King to Italy.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 16.—King Peter of Serbia will take refuge in Italy, according to a Rome dispatch, which says the king has accepted Italy's offer of a palace at Caserta, near Naples.

**To Attack Suez Canal.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
London, England, Dec. 16.—A Turkish campaign against the Suez Canal and Egypt is reported to be in preparation, says a dispatch from Rome. Three hundred thousand Turkish troops are already said to have been concentrated for the aggression. Turkish gains against the British at Sud-EI-Amara in Mesopotamia is reported from Constantinople.

The allied forces of 200,000 now concentrated at Saloniki are not expecting a Bulgarian attack, according to the best information.

**May Not Fill Vacancies.**  
[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 16.—The Kaiser may not send successors to Boy-Ed and Von Papen, recalled military and naval attaches until after the war, according to reliable information received today. The belief is expressed in Berlin that they would be the subject of criticism as successors.

**Formed Neutral Zone.**  
[By Associated Press.]

Sofia, Dec. 16.—A neutral zone two kilometers wide on each side of the boundary has been agreed on between Greece and Bulgaria, according to official announcement made today.

er extremes are expected. The weeks centering on Jan. 5 and Jan. 20 are expected to average usually warm, the week centering on Jan. 12 colder than usual and the week centering on Jan. 27 excessively cold. Most severe storms during weeks centering on Jan. 5, 20 and 29. The precipitation month will change from dry to wet east of the Rockies about Jan. 10, but the wet will continue east of the Rockies and in South America. Severe cold waves are expected not far from Jan. 20 and 25.

Professor Bigelow, ten years a professor of meteorology in the United States weather bureau and now occupying a similar position in Argentina, has published an important volume giving many facts in regard to weather matters. Had he taken up planetary meteorology he would have been greatly benefited. Strong men are needed in the work, but the opposition of those who occupy cushioned chairs in the government service requires very great courage besides very great ability and Bigelow has not the courage. The orthodox leaders are lambasting him now because of his advanced ideas. In scientific matters we need more of those strong elements that have developed in America from the descendants of the Norman-French.

Planetary meteorology will win, but it is much in need of assistance from strong minds and from financial assistance. It is the most important and the most difficult of all scientific matters or subjects.

## ENGINEERING WORK IS PROGRESSING.

A. McCormick of the firm of Abney & McCormick, engineers, employed to do the engineering work on the Brazos County good roads, reports they have completed about 60 per cent of the field work on the surveys of the rural roads. Some of the roads have been completed, but others have just been started. He states that they expect to be through with the preliminary surveys within the next two or three weeks.

## BRAZOS COUNTY CLAIM DOCKET

**Bills Paid by Commissioners' Court  
Against Brazos County for  
Past Month.**

Following are the claims against the county allowed by the commissioners' court during their last session, which was adjourned Thursday afternoon: John W. Hicks, dragging road, \$10. J. E. Brown, part salary, \$25. Ann McWhorter, pauper, \$2. R. M. Dansby, rebuilding bridge, \$10. Ellen Wilson, pauper, \$3. W. A. Hudson, care of Mrs. Thomas, \$3.90. M. B. Easters, eight days per diem, \$24. J. M. Atkins, eight days per diem, \$24. J. J. Cahill, 14 days per diem, \$42. J. W. Hamilton, eight days per diem, \$24. J. T. Maloney, six days per diem, \$18. Reddin Andrews, six days work on roads, \$7.50. J. M. Atkins, nine days supervising, \$27. J. J. Cahill, fifteen days supervising, \$45. J. W. Hamilton, two days supervising, \$6. George Griffin, pauper, \$3. Wright Watts, pauper, \$2. W. B. English, groceries, \$108. Andy Houston, pauper, \$2. Hy Byers, pauper, \$3. Mrs. Laura Webb, pauper, \$5. Cologero Burroco, pauper, \$2.50. H. O. Jones, plat T. S. Haynes, survey, \$10. Reddin Andrews, work on road, \$7.50. W. S. Higgs et al, causes 4428-4503, \$25.25. G. Stuckey, dragging road, \$5. E. B. Holland, work on road, \$4. Joe Hall, pauper, \$2. Horace Jefferson, pauper, \$2.50. I. & G. N. Railroad, demurrage at College, \$12. Geo. P. Edge, auto hire, \$7. M. Rembert, auto hire, \$10. J. L. Cobb, dragging road, \$10. Joe Lloyd, building bridge, \$47.50. Lee Josey, dragging road, \$15. Leodora Correa, corn, \$15. H. & T. C. Railroad, freight, \$2. T. S. Hill, road and bridge work, \$10. John Regmund, land for road, \$191. J. Sidney Smith, assessing taxes, \$159. J. W. Barron, ex-officio, \$25. H. O. Jones, plot F. Quota survey, \$10. W. A. Hudson, care Mrs. Thomas, \$3.95. Red Andrews, work on road, \$7.50. C. S. Jones, work on road, \$5. N. L. Outlaw, hauling lumber, \$3. H. P. Dansby, school board, \$9. W. R. Parker, school board, \$9. J. W. Hicks, school board, \$6. R. O. Allen, school board, \$9. W. E. Graham, school board, \$15. J. T. Newcomb, one day justice court juror, 50c. J. B. Sanders, one day justice court juror, 50c. Miss Mary Locke, demonstration work, \$37.50. Bryan Telephone Company, phone rents, \$8.69. Mrs. Lee Howard, pauper, \$3. H. O. Jones, plots surveys 142 and 190, \$5. B. H. Head, road work, \$6.40. R. H. Harrison, professional services, \$91.75. City of Bryan, fines worked on road, \$33. W. J. Christian, repair work, \$2.85. Don Armstrong, pauper, \$2. T. C. Nunn, fifty-four days with county and district courts, \$108. T. C. Nunn, county court vacation, \$18. T. C. Nunn, feeding prisoners, \$472.60. T. C. Nunn, ex-officio, \$41.65. M. B. Easters, four days supervising, \$12. C. A. Buchanan, corn, \$228.73. A. B. Carson, engineering, \$169.17. Miss Lizzie Slaughter, pauper, \$7.50. Fritz Kohler, salary, \$50. J. E. Brown, balance salary, \$50. S. S. Clay, burying pauper, \$12.50. W. P. Nedbalek, blacksmithing, \$7.50. V. C. Parker, salary, \$65. Fred Doberesky, salary, \$20. A. McKenzie, care of clock, \$2.50. W. J. Coulter Company, dry goods, \$5.05. Mary Randle, pauper, \$2.50. Alex Lewis, pauper, \$2.50. Arseno Carson and wife, \$5. W. S. Higgs, ex-officio, \$54.15. J. T. Maloney, ex-officio, \$125. Western Union, telegrams, \$1.44. Mrs. Laura Webb, pauper, \$5. Joe Ulrich, pauper, \$2.50. Brooks Pruett, pauper, \$2. Chas. Shultz, hauling lumber, \$16.50. W. R. Ball, dragging road, \$20. J. W. Mathis, road work, \$17.50. J. L. Robinson, road work, \$30. Nancy Johnson, pauper, \$6. C. H. Pollard, district court stenog-

rapher, \$35.71. A. W. Buchanan, farm demonstration, \$66.67. W. A. Hudson, care of Mrs. Hudson, \$2.10. J. J. Holland, land for road, \$40. W. G. Reynolds, mules, \$130. W. E. Saunders, dry goods, \$3.50. J. E. Brown, part salary, \$15. H. Byers, pauper, \$3. W. E. Saunders, groceries, \$20.65. W. F. Odom, merchandise, \$8.20. L. L. Stephens, one day justice court juror, 50c. John Winter, justice court juror one day, 50c. R. S. Mawhinney, one day justice court juror, 50c. W. B. English, groceries, \$114.85. W. H. McVey, road work, \$10. A. McKenzie, clock repairs, \$24.15. Mrs. Lee Howard, pauper, \$3. Bryan Telephone Company, telephone service, \$8.43. Jesse Gammon, one day justice court juror, 50c. Bill Randle, road work, \$3. M. W. Sims, road work, \$17.50. G. Stuckey, road work, \$5. Lee Josey, road work, \$10. W. S. Higgs et al, causes No. 4561-4569, \$20.75. Geo. Griffin, pauper, \$3. Thomas Perry, pauper, \$3. Don Armstrong, pauper, \$2. W. A. Hudson, care of Mrs. Thomas, \$2.10. E. F. Park & Co., harness, \$12.20. Eagle Printing Company, printing, \$10.50. Goree Neeley, drugs, 60c. The Frank Shepard Company, books, \$5. Reed Brothers, groceries, \$4. Cole Hardware Company, hardware, \$19.20. J. F. Grant Company, lumber, \$9.60. Eugene Edge, dry goods, \$13.55. J. T. Hanway, repairs, \$1. Johnson & Rohde, three auto trips, \$9.25. Gulf Refining Company, oil, \$17.92. Globe Dry Goods, dry goods, \$18.45. W. T. James, furniture, etc., \$34.50. Austin, Bros., repairs, \$10. West Publishing Company, Southwest Reporter, \$9. Cologero Salvato, merchandise, \$1. City of Bryan, water and lights, \$32.10. Pierce Fordyce Oil Company, oil, \$22.84. Tyler Haswell, stationery, \$1. Levy Bros., bedding, \$7.50. Parker-Astin Hardware Company, hardware, \$12. C. H. Moehlman, repairs, \$7.95. Eden Gin Company, coal, \$36.40. Myers Hardware Company, hardware, \$7.30. J. J. Ray, road work, \$7.50. G. S. Parker, lumber, \$66.44. Hillyer-Deutsch, lumber, \$65.65.

**RETIRE FROM THE EAGLE.**  
Mr. M. E. Wallace Will Engage in Business for Himself Jan. 1. After eighteen years' connection with the Eagle, M. E. Wallace voluntarily retires as manager, effective January 1 and will engage in the printing business in Bryan under the name of the Wallace Printing Company. He will conduct a general line of printing, featuring high-class work, ruling and bookbinding. The plant formerly known as the Sun Company was absorbed and together with a quantity of new material, including presses, etc., will constitute the new plant. A new location on the ground floor will be established. The former proprietor, Mr. Miller, will be employed by the new firm in the mechanical department. Mr. Wallace's connection with the Eagle dates back to the firm of Connelly, Palmer & Carnes, who established the daily edition of the Eagle, the first daily paper published in Bryan. Mr. Wallace leaves the Eagle voluntarily without any friction or ill feeling, and the most cordial relations prevail between him and the directors and officials of the Eagle Printing Company. He is a thorough printer, an all round newspaper man, affable in manner and thoroughly identified with the city and its interests. He takes with him into his new enterprise the hearty good wishes of the Eagle for that full measure of success justified by his capabilities and energy. He will continue with the Eagle as manager until Jan. 1.

**NEGRO BURGLAR CAUGHT.**  
Had on Stolen Clothes—Confessed to Sebesta Burglary. Clem Owens, colored, was arrested Saturday afternoon and lodged in the county jail by Deputy Marshal Worley and charged with burglarizing the store of Jno. M. Sebesta on Main street several weeks ago. Owens was wearing a suit of clothes that was recognized as one having been stolen from the store. He was taken to the store by Officer Worley to let the proprietor identify the clothes, and while being questioned made an effort to get away, but was caught before he could get out of the rear door. He is reported to have then confessed to the burglary and says he

was locked in the store at night when the business was closed. His home was searched and the major portion of the goods stolen were found. City Marshal Conley and Deputy Worley had had Owens under observation for some days and decided on the arrest Saturday. Immediately after the negro's confession these two officers went to his home together where the goods were recovered.

## COL. OUSLEY ON SAFE FARMING

**Says All Cotton Plan is a Gamble and Urges Farmers Not to Drop Back to Old Plan.**

The South fed herself in 1915 and as a consequence produced a small cotton crop which sold at satisfactory prices. A big crop the year before sold at poor prices, and, without feed or food, put Texas in the hole. We had the same war in 1914 as in 1915, and we are likely to have it for a year longer. The difference in results is the difference between food-feed-cotton farming and all-cotton farming.

The man who relies upon all-cotton farming in 1916 is speculating on weather, boll weevil and war. That's a desperate chance. The man who relies upon food and feed crops for his sustenance and makes cotton his surplus will have something for paying debts, or for accumulation, whether cotton sells for 15c or 5c.

The cotton crop of 1915 was fully five million bales less than the crop of 1914, and it proved to be all that the world would buy at profitable prices. If the war continues there will not be demand for any more cotton than was produced in 1915; industry will not become normal for many months.

Food-feed-cotton farming is safe farming. All-cotton farming is a gamble. Don't gamble.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFER

Mike Lero to E. J. Kyle, 9½ acres of land in the Zeno Phillips league in Brazos County; consideration \$237.50.

## WILL FILE TAX SUITS.

County Attorney Lamar Bethea received a shipment of 500 blanks today to be used in filing delinquent tax suits required by a recent enactment of the state legislature. Mr. McCulloch, the tax collector, states that he has about 250 suits ready to be filed now.

## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Bryan-College Interurban Railway Company will be held in the city of Bryan, Brazos County, Texas on the first Tuesday in January, 1906, the same being the 4th day of said month, for the purpose of electing officers of said company for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other matters as may come before the board of directors. Said meeting of the directors will be held immediately after the adjournment of the meeting of the stockholders of said company on the above date.

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# TOUCHED EUROPE FIRST AT KIRKWALL ENGLAND

Henry Ford and His Peace Promoters Are on the Other Side and the World Will Await With Interest Their work—Greece Denies That the Bulgarians Crossed the Line and Entered Greek Territory—Report That Allies' Lines Were Cut Not Confirmed—Turks Claim Advantages in Mesopotamia—The Sinking of a German Submarine and Turkish Torpedo Boat Was Reported—Greek Socialists Want Intervention in the War—Germans Wing Four Allied Aeroplanes.

[By Associated Press.]  
Kirkwall, England, Dec. 15.—The steamship Oscar II, bearing the Ford peace party, reached here today.

This means the ship is being detained for investigation by England.

## BULGARS DID NOT CROSS.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 15.—The Bulgarians are definitely declared to have stopped the pursuit of the allies short of the Greek boundary, according to the official Greek statement, which denies Tuesday reports that the Bulgarians had crossed the line.

Unofficial accounts of the allies' retreat fail to confirm the reports that the allies' lines were cut in two by the Bulgarians.

The Turks still claim the advantage in the fighting with the British in Mesopotamia.

The sinking of a German submarine off Varna, and of a Turkish torpedo boat by the British in the Sea of Marmora was reported today. The report that the Turkish cruiser Sultan Celim had been sunk was not confirmed.

The Greek socialists are for intervention, says an Athens dispatch.

Berlin claims the Germans brought down four allied aeroplanes in France today.

# AUSTRIA REFUSED ALL U. S. DEMANDS

Did Not Accede to Single Request.  
Relations of Two Countries at Breaking Point.

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 18.—Secretary Lansing announced that the Austrian reply did not accede to any of the American demands.

The meaning of the Austrian reply, Mr. Lansing said, which appeared to be somewhat vague in the unofficial version, was clear in the translation of the original text. It was perfectly plain, he added, that none of the American demands was acceded to. Further than this, Mr. Lansing would not discuss the reply.

Austria's reply to Secretary Lansing's note on the Ancona, received during the night, was laid Friday before President Wilson and the cabinet and discussed more than an hour. The gravity of the situation caused by Austria's rejoinder to the American demands, which is considered evasive and unacceptable, remained unchanged when the meeting ended.

The next step will not be decided upon until some minor points not clear in the official text are checked up. The apparent discrepancies are not important and may be due to transmission or translation from the state department code, but they will be cleared up before another move is made.

# AUSTRIA'S NOTE IS INSULTING

If American Charges Were True Be No Cause to Censure Submarine Commander.

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 18.—The official text of Austria's reply to the American Ancona note today reveals that Austria denies that the American charges, even if true, warrant attaching blame to either the submarine commander or the Austrian government. Reply otherwise confirms the unofficial version in Thursday's dispatch.

## Favorable Austrian Note Expected.

[By Associated Press.]

Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 15.—It is generally believed in Vienna that Austria will give the United States satisfaction and pay indemnity for the loss of American citizens' lives when the Ancona was sunk by a submarine, according to a dispatch received here. The American note created a profound impression in the Austrian government and political circles, says the dispatch, and is resented by the minority.

## Grecian King Ill.

[By Associated Press.]

London, Dec. 15.—King Constantine of Greece has influenza of a mild form, with symptoms of fever, says an Athens dispatch today. Complete rest is recommended.

## To Have Safe Conduct.

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 15.—The British embassy today was authorized by England to issue safe conduct home to Captains Boy-Ed and Von Pappen, recently recalled by the German government.

## Took Half of Loan.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Dec. 15.—Sixty per cent of the Anglo-French half billion dollar loan has been taken for investment, it was announced today.

# FOOD TO GERMANS BY AMERICAN MAIL

British Officials in London Said Matter Was Being Taken Up With Ambassador.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 17.—"Considerable quantities of food are being sent to Germany by parcel post from America and we are in communication with our ambassador in Washington on the subject," Lord Robert Cecil, parliamentary under secretary for foreign affairs informed the house of commons Thursday in reply to certain questions.

The under secretary added that other steps had been taken to deal with the matter effectively. He said it would not be convenient to specify what instructions had been given to the navy.

The citizens' committee for food to Germany and Austria announced in New York last week it had delivered to the United States postoffice its first package of food, consisting of condensed milk, rice and lard, to be shipped as first class mail. These parcels, the committee said, were for starving children in Germany and Austria.

## DIPPING VAT PLANS READY.

The dipping vat to be built on the county poor farm, we are informed by M. F. Dansby, one of the promoters, will be begun next week. The plans and specifications have been perfected and are now ready for the work. Other promoters of the project are Messrs. Cloud and Nicol, W. I. McCulloch and R. H. Harrison. Permission to build same on the county farm was secured from the commissioners' court and after the vat is paid for it will be run as a public institution.

# FATAL AUTO WRECK AT SAN ANGELO

San Angelo, Tex., Dec. 18.—Allan Scoggin was killed and John Cawley mortally injured when their automobile turned over near here last night. Three other boys were bruised.

# WILL SETTLE ALL TITANIC LOSSES

Announcement of Settlement Basis Was Given in New York, Americans Receiving Largest Share.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Dec. 18.—The White Star line has agreed to pay \$66,400 in settlement of all claims arising from the sinking of the Titanic on April 15, 1912, when more than fifteen hundred persons were drowned, agents of the line announced Friday.

Of the amount about \$500,000 will be distributed among American claimants, \$50,000 to British claimants and \$114,000 will be required for interest and expenses in connection with the numerous suits.

The agreement must be acted upon by Dec. 30 to become operative. A committee representing sixty Americans who had filed claims against the company fixed the total claims at \$2,500,000. Forty-four of the sixty are said to have accepted the company's offer of approximately 20 per cent of their claims.

Cases not settled by agreement will be continued in the courts.

## WRESTLING BOUT A DRAW.

The wrestling match at the Old Moose Hall last night between O. L. Strickland of this city and "Peewee" Fannin of Rockdale was one of the best amateur matches ever seen in Bryan. Strickland won the first fall after forty-seven minutes of wrestling. The match was called off after the contestants wrestled sixty-seven minutes after the second start, without either having secured a fall. The first fall was gained by a double armlock. Strickland had the edge on his opponent in science and was somewhat better physically, but the defensive work of Fannin was of a high order and pulled him out of several hard places.

A very good crowd was present and much enthusiasm was manifested. The match was refereed by C. E. Braswell, and John Daly Jr. was timekeeper. Fannin has returned to his home in Rockdale.

## 600 HORSES WERE DROWNED.

Many Texas Animals on Board Barge That Sunk.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Dec. 18.—Nearly six hundred horses, most of them raised in Texas, valued at an average of \$200 each and consigned to Brest, France, for the use of allied armies, were drowned in the North River this afternoon when a barge sprang a leak and sank. The animals were to be transferred to the steamer Anglo-Californian for transportation to France. The barge went to the bottom soon after the loading of the animals on the steamer had begun.

## AUTOMOBILE SALES.

Johnson & Rohde report automobile sales during the past two months as follows:

Mrs. E. H. Seale of Benchley, a seven-passenger, six-cylinder Studebaker touring car, and the following have purchased Fords: W. L. Surovik of Caldwell, John Bodeker of Chrisman, Thos. G. Gilley of Caldwell, J. M. Woods of Somerville, Louis Wermelskirchen of College Station, Joe F. Vykukol of Caldwell, E. H. Astin of Bryan, Wichita Mill and Elevator Company by Ed S. Martin of Bryan, C. A. Buchanan of Bryan and Meredith Hunter of Steele's store.

## OFFICERS ARE VIGILANT.

According to information from Sheriff Nunn, no further developments have been made in the recent burglary cases and the officers have been unable to apprehend any of the night prowlers. Additional men have been added to the city's and county's peace officer forces and a vigilant watch has been kept over the entire city for some time, but the burglars are evidently too wise, as no further efforts have been made to burglarize any of the stores or houses during the past week.

# MOUNT ETNA IN STATE OF ERUPTION

[By Associated Press.]  
Catania, Sicily, Dec. 18.—Mount Etna is emitting red hot lava, which is streaming down the mountain side and melting the snow. An umbrella-shaped cloud of fire and smoke is seen nightly.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Erich Seeman and Julia Pasler. Caesar Holston and Maddie May Smothes. Enoch Gainer and Emma Paynes. George Phillips and Rosa Wynne.

# YOUNG LADY FOUND WITH THROAT CUT

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Tex., Dec. 18.—The body of Miss Pauline Walton, 17 years old, was found at her home with her throat cut from ear to ear early today. Two persons are under surveillance, though no arrests have been made.

## GOOD PROFIT IN TURKEYS.

Farmer Who Gave Note for \$9.50 Had \$80 Yield.

Goliad, Tex., Dec. 17.—Saturday turkeys were bringing 12c, and up to date about 12,000 have been slaughtered at the local plant.

Twelve thousand turkeys, averaging ten pounds each, sold at 12c per pound, would amount to \$14,400, all this money paid out here in a very short time. Last spring a local firm offered to sell any reputable farmer who desired to enter the turkey business six hens and one gobbler and take his note for the amount payable Dec. 1. Many took advantage of the same. One farmer this week paid his note of \$9.50, having cashed a turkey check for \$80, besides having some left for his family's use and a good start for another year.

# SEVEN KILLED WHEN CAR TOOK PLUNGE

[By Associated Press.]

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 18.—Seven persons were killed and ten injured today here when a street car plunged through a bridge into the Spokane River.

## CHEMICAL NO. 2 MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of Chemical Company No. 2 of the Bryan fire department was held in the fire station last night with a number of the members present.

A motion was made and carried that a payment of \$200 be made on the company's automobile fire truck. By motion the company donated \$10 to the Christmas fund of the Knights of Pythias Lodge of this city. The meeting was then adjourned.

# COUNTRY BEING OVERRUN AND MANY TOWNS TAKEN

Austrian and Teutonic Forces Are Invading Montenegro and That Country Is Being Overrun. The Serbians, While Retreating Before the Germans, Captured 40,000 Prisoners and They Have Been Landed at Marseilles. Italy Lands a Large Force in Albania Which Means New Operations on a Large Scale in the New War Theatre—Two Hundred Thousand Abyssinians Available for the Allies—Belgian Relief Ship Hit Mine and Was Beached in Sinking Condition—An Italian Steamer Was Sunk.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 17.—The Berlin army headquarters announces today that Austrian troops are invading Montenegro and have captured Bjelopolje, twenty miles west of the Serbian border.

The Montenegrin statement today admits the capture Tuesday of Rozaj, after the retreat of the home troops.

The Serbians while retreating before the Teutons, took 40,000 prisoners, says a dispatch from Marseilles, where the prisoners were landed today.

The landing of a large Italian force at Avlona, Albania, pressages operations in the new theater of war on a large scale, as this port is regarded as the "key to the Adriatic." Italy is expecting to help reorganize the Serbian army.

Stubborn fighting between the Serbians and Bulgarians continues along the Drin River in Albania.

Two hundred thousand Abyssinians are said to be available to the allies for operations in the Orient.

## Charge Russian Outrages.

[By Associated Press.]

Berlin, Dec. 17.—The destruction of a building flying the United States flag by Russian torpedo boats last July was reported officially by the

Turkish government, which enumerates other alleged violations of international law in the treatment of prisoners in the hospitals, and of non-combatants is charged to the allies. The location of the building was not given.

## Relief Ship Hit Mine.

[By Associated Press.]

London, Dec. 17.—The Belgian relief committee's steamship, Levenpool, New York to Rotterdam, struck a mine and was beached in a sinking condition on the English east coast.

## Italian Steamer Sunk.

[By Associated Press.]

London, Dec. 17.—The Italian steamer Porto is said to have been sunk.

## Mrs. Asquith Persecuted.

[By Associated Press.]

London, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Herbert H. Asquith, wife of the premier, appeared today as the plaintiff in a suit to restrain a newspaper (the Globe) from the publication of alleged libels. Mrs. Asquith, counsel said, for two weeks has been "deliberately pursued" in the newspaper with accusations of disloyalty and of associations with German prisoners at Donnington Hall.

# PLOW TIME IS CLOSE TO HAND

Remember, we sell the Case Steel Plows and Cultivators. Now listen, suppose you try a Case, backed by an iron-clad guarantee. Now we say in all candor that the Case Plows, Cultivators and Planters have no equal. We stand asking a trial of these famous Plows, Cultivators and Planters.

Just received one car of Barbed Wire, Hog Wire and Poultry Netting. Our prices are right. We solicit a portion of your valued trade.

With a happy Christmas, a prosperous New Year, we thank one and all for past favors; hope we have made it profitable for you to trade with us. With love to all and malice to none, we are yours for 1916.

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## THE HIGHER COURT MUDDLE.

Is there such a thing as a Supreme Court, and if so what is it? Heretofore, from our infancy up, we have looked upon the Supreme Court as the beginning and the end, the alpha and the omega of every question at law, but in these latter days the scales are falling from our eyes and our idol seems to have tumbled from the high pedestal upon which we placed it.

It now appears that we have no Supreme Court, that is, in name only, for on the question of supreme authority, there are others ready to lock horns on the question of who's who. The Court of Criminal Appeals also claims to be a "supreme court," and absolutely refuses to step aside at the honk of the piece of court machinery that has heretofore had the right of way.

The two courts are tied up on the constitutionality of the State pool hall law, the Supreme Court declaring it unconstitutional and the Court of Criminal Appeals upholding its constitutionality. The conflict of authority has produced a regular Duke's Mix-ture and a legal muddle has ensued that demands the question be settled, and settled in such a manner that future conflicts will be avoided. The Galveston News pins its faith to the Supreme Court and discusses the question as follows:

"The action of the Court of Criminal Appeals, in the case coming to it from Waco relating to the enforcement of the local option pool hall law, does not change the status of the deadlock between the civil and criminal jurisdictions. But it does emphasize it. The court in this case directed a district judge of McLennan County not to interfere with the efforts of the sheriff to close a pool hall. A few days previously the Court of Civil Appeals, sitting at Dallas, directed a district judge of Grayson County to stop the sheriff in his efforts to close a pool hall. It is true that a rehearing has been granted in the Grayson County cases, but it is not probable that it will result in an ychange of the decision already made. As matters stand now, it appears that by appealing to the Court of Criminal Appeals a sheriff can get entire freedom to close pool halls, while a pool hall proprietor, by appealing to a Court of Civil Appeals, can get immunity from interference by the sheriff. There is apparently but one more knot to tie in this controversy. The Waco case ought to be brought into the civil jurisdiction and the Grayson County case into the criminal jurisdiction. Then the sheriffs of those two counties, would be under contradictory orders, and would be certain to fall under the displeasure of some court, regardless of whether they should do something or should do nothing.

Intrinsically, the controversy itself is not of much moment. But it is notable and noteworthy as an illustration of the need of giving supreme authority to some one of the courts. The controversy between the Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals resolves itself into a question of constitutional interpretation. The constitution is the charter of civil rights, so that it would seem that to challenge a statute's constitutionality is to raise a civil question, regardless of whether the statute is found in the civil or the penal code. Hence, considered as an original proposition and on the ground of reason alone, it should seem that the fit tribunal in which to bring the question of constitutionality for final judgment is the Supreme Court of the State. But whether it be vested in this tribunal or in a tribunal made up in another way is a minor matter relatively to that of doing something to render a repetition of such controversies impossible. If something of this kind shall not be done, then these controversies are apt to become rather common; for having asserted its jurisdiction in one case involving the constitutionality of a criminal statute, are not the doors of the Supreme Court thrown open to any one who thinks that his civil rights are infringed by a statute whose constitutionality is affirmed by the Court of Criminal Appeals?"

## OBJECT LESSON IN PORK.

We are glad to direct the attention of all readers of the Eagle to a communication published at another place in this paper from Ed Scott, a colored man, relative to his success with raising a pig in accordance with a suggestion made by Booker T. Washington. Last spring Booker T. Washington, the great colored educator, now deceased, suggested that every colored family in the South raise one pig. The Eagle reproduced his letter and editorially urged the colored people

of Brazos County to act upon the suggestion. Ed Scott, colored, of Bryan did so and made a profit, as shown by his statement, of \$21. The effort of this colored man is commendable and as he says, shows what can be done in hog raising if only the proper effort is made.

The Eagle has long contended that Brazos County should produce its own meat. The county is impoverished and has been for years, because the farmers have tried to raise cotton to pay for their feed and meat. The bacon account is the largest carried by the grocery merchants, and must be eliminated before our farmers can come into that prosperity to which they are entitled.

The Eagle would suggest, as a stimulus to pork production, a ham, bacon and lard show to be held in Bryan at an early date, or about the time the farmers' meat is cured and ready to be hung up. A room, or building could be provided in which our farmers could make a display of their meats and small premiums could be offered as an inducement for them to make exhibits. Such a show would undoubtedly be an inspiration to pork production and would influence those farmers who are making no effort to produce their own meat to make an effort in that direction.

The Eagle believes it would be a good idea for this ham, bacon and lard exhibit to be held in connection with the poultry show during the last week in January. This is merely offered as a suggestion and if the Commercial Club and those having the poultry show in charge, deem it worthy, we would like to see them take it up and carry it through. There is no doubt of the good it would do.

## THE BUSY FARM.

Now is the time for the farmers to use their brains on next year's crops. That brains count and count largely in the farm the same as in every other business, all are now thoroughly convinced. The whole crop should be planned now—the acreage to be devoted to each product, the garden, the dairy, the orchard, the fences, the selection of corn and cotton seed—in fact, every detail should be worked out now. These things should not be left until the farmer comes face to face with them when they must be decided right then. Work then out now while there is time for study and deliberate action. One day of thoughtful planning now is worth a month of nervous, haphazard work next spring. —Bryan Eagle.

Of course many farmers are now doing the thing suggested and some have made their plans already. There are some, however, who are dragging along at the slow heels of indecision. Indecision, and, in certain cases, indolence, is a chief trouble. In order to succeed on the farm one must know his business and must attend to it promptly and carefully. There is a deal of planning to do. It requires efficient management. A successful man in this line needs to be always alive to opportunities and obtain better seed, better implements and better labor. Later he must be posted as to the better methods of harvesting and marketing crops and the most satisfactory place to buy his supplies. It is a busy business, with a dozen sides to it. On a well conducted farm there is something to do every day in the year. —Galveston News.

The Eagle's editorial comment at the beginning of the cotton season to the effect that this country should sell her cotton wherever she pleased and give her cotton ships a convoy of a hundred battleships if necessary to see that it reached its destination, seems not to have been a wild dream as some thought at the time. The editorial was widely copied, indorsed by some papers and by some considered rather bold. It now develops that Secretary of the Navy Daniels holds the same opinion as that expressed by the Eagle. In a speech Wednesday before the Southern Commercial Congress at Charleston, he said the South particularly needed the protection embodied in the president's preparedness program. He said the South's principal crop was cotton, it was sold largely abroad and our merchant marine needed the protection of an adequate navy in reaching its destination. From the above utterance it will be seen the Eagle's idea of what American independence should be, was not so extravagant after all.

## BE "KEERFUL," ED.

So far we have not seen a single blow in the Navasota Examiner-Review where any of Ed Blackshear's friends have brought him in great hunks of country sausage, spare ribs, backbone, hog jowl, turnip greens, etc. What you been doing to the boys, Ed? —Bryan Eagle.

Must not have been reading this column very carefully. We reported a most liberal lot of collards a day or so ago and that very day a good friend brought us in a great big piece

of hog jowl. Had sausage last week and we are confidently expecting some friend to remember us again this week. —Navasota Examiner.

Been watching "this column" like a hawk and dingbusted if this isn't the first intimation we have had that any of the bliss producing, soul satisfying viands had been sent in. Glad to know they are coming so freely and our only admonition is to be "keerful" and don't founder right here at Christmas.

## CAUSE AND EFFECT.

If this congress abolishes a single commission; if it does anything to lessen the intricacies of the governmental machinery, you may drop us a card. —Waco Times-Herald.

And when you get said card if it is in the affirmative, just come and cut our throat. —Bryan Eagle.

Well, if it does both of you will be pleased to entertain the consciousness that you did your best for it, won't you? He that expecteth little doesn't stand to be disappointed, either, so whatever happens you will feel perfectly normal, we suppose. —Denton Record.

In the meantime, the tax burden will go on enlarging and the men who toil will find it more and more difficult to keep the wolf from the door. —Waco Times-Herald.

## A LITTLE POINTER.

Speaking about the heavy increase in the cost of government, here's a little pointer:

Each congressman has a private secretary.

Nothing wrong about that if only each congressman would pay the salary.

But the government pays. And what do you suppose are the duties of a private secretary?

Mending fences back home—the congressman's political fences—Waco Times-Herald.

There are about 425 congressmen. Each secretary gets \$1,200 a year, we are informed; 425 times \$1,200 is only \$510,000. What you pointing at? —Athens Review.

And "Jones, he pays the freight." —Waco Times-Herald.

Jones has been paying it up to this "psychological moment," but they have increased the tonnage until the old boy can no longer cut the mustard.

It is a song.

It is a smile.

It is that long

Dreamt "Afterwhile,"

That season sweet

When in we rise

Our hearts to meet.

The splendid skies

With love and faith

Of better things—

When Christmas sings,

When Christmas sings!

—Baltimore Sun.

Public improvements in Bryan just keep on a coming. Those ten-foot concrete sidewalks on Bryan street will complete the work of converting that thoroughfare into a thing of beauty and a joy forever. The next step will be for those merchants whose places of business have their rear doors on Bryan street, to open fronts on that street also, giving them entrances from two streets. That will be a long step toward city ways.

Villa has quit the drive in Mexico and it is said will seek safety in another country. His commanders are seeking terms of immunity from Carranza in return for their surrender. He fled from Mexico a few years ago with a price fixed upon his head by General Porfirio Diaz. When Madero went in he returned to his native country with five followers and seven dollars in money. With so insignificant a beginning, it cannot be denied he has cut quite a considerable swath.

State Treasurer Edwards is rapidly taking up all outstanding treasury warrants and it is hoped the state will soon be on a cash basis. The heavy penalties paid recently by the packing interests in Texas for violations of the anti-trust laws, added largely to the state's revenues and aided in liquidating the outstanding indebtedness.

A petition is being circulated to be presented to the commissioners' court asking that they order an election for Madison County for a good roads bond issue to the amount of \$200,000. We are glad to state the petition is being liberally signed with very little opposition. This is one of the grandest moves ever started for Madison County. —Madisonville Meteor.

If you can't give your friends a present, say a kind word to them. The chances are it will be more highly appreciated.

Those farmers whose cream cans you see coming in every morning are not worrying about store accounts. They are paying as they go.

## THE PASSING YEAR.

The Eagle editor's old friend, Editor J. M. Carnes of the East Texas Register, father of the late Malcolm Carnes, who worked side by side with us for many years, is a poet of the very highest order, but rarely gives way to his poetic tendencies except at Christmas time, or the closing of the year. We believe the following from his brilliant pen on the "The Passing Year" is his masterpiece, and it is so beautiful, so chaste, so refined and the sentiment so lofty, we give it space that our readers may also enjoy its beauty and tenderness:

The latest leaves are falling,  
Withered leaves;  
The wintry winds are brawling  
Round the eaves;  
The belated birds are flying  
To the southward, vainly sighing  
O'er the flowers, slowly dying;  
Nature grieves.

The year is sadly drawing  
To a close.  
Like dirges sounds the cawing  
Of the crows;  
The shivering clouds are sailing,  
In a struggle unavailing  
To escape the north wind, wailing  
As he goes.

The old, weary, outworn, hoary  
Passing year  
Breathes a sympathetic story  
In mine ear;  
My summer, too, has passed,  
And the chill December blast  
Its leaves are scattering fast,  
Brown and sere.

My winter comes apace,  
Day by day,  
And with a tender grace  
Steals away  
The strength of manhood's prime,  
And where erst was flowery time  
He spreads the frostwork's ryme,  
Cold and gray.

Yet I hold him truest friend  
Of my life,  
For with his coming end  
Toil and strife,  
His influence, kind and good,  
Has curbed my passions' flood  
And cooled the ardent blood,  
Once too rife.

Not for youth's ephemeral pleasures  
Do I weep,  
Nor manhood's tinsel treasures  
Would I keep—  
Content with home and friends,  
My life on God depends,  
And when its measure ends,  
I shall sleep.

The Waxahachie cotton mill is to be enlarged to increase its capacity 25 per cent. Brazos County raises enough cotton to keep a mill busy and we have never yet been able to see the good horse sense in paying freight on the cotton to Europe and then freight on the manufactured goods back to Bryan. Factories to use our raw materials are among the crying needs of this section.

A Missouri editor uses a bold figure of speech to illustrate what is and what is not news. He says: "You might see a cow. You might see a fence post. You might see an apple. None of these is news. But if you should see the cow sitting on the fence post eating the apple, that would be news." It would be news all right, but too yellow to be published. There is one Christmas present every man should provide for himself. It may come high, but its worth the price. If there is aught of bitterness, of malice, of envy, of hatred in your heart, wring it out, putting love and mercy and justness in their stead, so you can say to all the world, "peace on earth, good will to men."

Published in a reputable newspaper, —East Texas Register.

The real news feature, as we see it, connected with the above exaggerated hypothesis would be that the fellow who discovered the cow sitting on the fence post eating the apple, would be in a mighty bad fix.

Governor Ferguson is back from his trip to the East and is pleased with his visit. He says that while in New York he tried to convince the money centers that Texas was not unfriendly to big business and is hopeful of new investments from that locality. He has not yet decided the question of an extra session of the legislature.

The president of the United States today listened to the longest sentence ever spoken—"I pronounce you man and wife."

Diversification will enable every farmer to "run" himself. Sam Jones said if a farmer gets his merchant to "run" him during the spring and summer, he'll make him fly in the fall.

It is said the price of automobiles is dropping steadily. May the downward path be kept greased until they come within range of our weekly stipend.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM A. &amp; M. COLLEGE

Will Dismiss for Holidays Dec. 22 and  
Special Train Will Take Boys  
Home.

## Special Trains for Cadets.

Holidays begin at the A. and M. College Wednesday, Dec. 22. School will close at noon on Wednesday and special trains, one for the north and one for the south, will leave over the Houston & Texas Central at 1 o'clock.

The International & Great Northern will operate a special train to San Antonio. Connections will be made with night trains leaving Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco, Houston and San Antonio.

School opens again Monday, Jan. 3, at 8 a. m.

## No Athletic Work.

This is a season of rest at the A. and M. College in an athletic sense. No games of any nature have been played on Kyle field since the turkey day football game with Mississippi A. and M. Basketball starts in earnest soon after Christmas holidays. Nick Braumiller, captain, and eight other members of last year's squad are eligible this season and Coach Graves is expecting to put a championship quintet in the field. Seven new men of much promise are out for the team also. Their first game is with the Sam Houston Normal at College Station Jan. 7. Texas University comes here for two games and the Aggies will play two games in Austin.

## City of Washington.

Miss Bernice Carter, assistant state agent in charge of the girls' canning club and home demonstration work, has gone to Washington to attend the annual national meeting of these workers. There are 5,000 Texas girls engaged in growing tomatoes and other vegetables and fruits and canning these products. Other phases of the work cover fundamental instructions in domestic science and economy.

Girls plant one-tenth of an acre to tomatoes, and yields averaging from 3,000 to 5,000 pounds off of these plots have been reported this year. Profit, above the tomatoes set aside for home use, have run from \$50 to more than \$150 off the one-tenth acre plots.

This work is carried on co-operatively by the United States department of agriculture and the A. and M. College.

## WOULD PUT BAILEY INTO RACE.

Ex-Senator May Be Candidate if Culberson Should Withdraw.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Should Senator C. A. Culberson decline to make the race for re-election from Texas the friends of former Senator J. W. Bailey will endeavor to put him into the running, according to a story that has been going the Washington rounds for several days. Ex-Senator Bailey returned recently from Texas.

No intimation has reached Washington that can be regarded as trustworthy concerning the intention of Senator Culberson, who is in Maine, where he has been since early in the fall. One story is that a definite announcement may be expected soon after New Year's. None of the office staff of the Texas senator can give information touching the rumor.

In justice to Senator Bailey, it must be stated that he has definitely announced that he would not be a candidate for senator next year.

## PECANS FOR PARK.

Colonel Clarence Ousley has donated to the Civic League a half dozen very fine Delmas pecan trees for the Civic Park. The trees came from the nursery of Charles L. Edwards of Dallas and came with a lot ordered for the A. and M. College. The donation is very highly appreciated by the president and members of the league.

## LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Eggs, 30c per doz.  
Butter, 25c per lb.  
Hens, 7c per lb.  
Fryers, 11c per lb.  
Broilers, 11c per lb.  
Ducks \$2.00 to \$3.00 per doz.  
Geese, \$3.00 to \$4.00 per doz.  
Turkeys, 12c per lb.  
Cows, 4c to 4½c per lb.  
Calves, 5c per lb.  
Steers, 5c per lb.  
Hogs, 6c to 6½c per lb.  
Oats, 47c per bu.  
Corn, 70c per bu.  
Prairie hay, \$10.00 per ton.  
Alfalfa, \$19.50 per ton.  
Bermuda hay, \$12.00 per ton.  
Butter fat, 30c per lb.

## GIVEN EXAMINING TRIALS.

George (Coochie) Johnson and Life Austin, colored, held on two charges of stealing hogs, were given examining trials yesterday afternoon before Justice McGee. They were given bond in the sum of \$250 each in each case. They have not yet made bond.

## GOOD ROADS BONDS WERE APPROVED

County Judge J. T. Maloney and Special Counsel Judge J. W. Doremus, have returned from Austin, where they went on business connected with the county good roads bonds. The \$400,000 worth of bonds were received from the engravers a few days ago and Judge Maloney and Judge Doremus carried them to Austin, where they were approved by the controller and registered in the office of the secretary of state. Every thing is now ready for the delivery of the bonds and securing the funds therefor. Judge Maloney believes he will be able to announce tomorrow all details connected with the sale of the bonds and just when the money will be available.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Interesting Information of This Popular Institution.

As the old year draws to a close, it occurred to the librarian that mention of the things that have been added to the library would not be amiss.

First of all, the city authorities have been most liberal in complying with the requests submitted to them. Screens have been put in the windows, leaks in roof stopped, a splendid new lawn mower provided for the library and city park, help in cleaning after the storm, and a contribution to the work on the Woman's Club are some of the things they have done.

The committee from the Woman's Club contributed their services as well as money in making the beds for flowers around the library. How could we get along without their help in keeping and beautifying the grounds?

The librarian, with the assistance of Mrs. Hudson Myers and others, sold tickets for a picture show benefit and through the liberality of Mr. and Mrs. Fairman, we made \$37.

A new writing desk for the use of the public has added much to the convenience of those who use the library.

Two additional stoves have given comfort during the cold weather.

The Boy Scouts, now making their headquarters at the library, have turned over their books to be given out in the same manner as other books.

Mr. Herbert Reed has offered to furnish two windows in the auditorium with shades, the boy scouts two and I wonder who will furnish the one left?

The story hour on Saturday from 2 to 3 o'clock is proving a great success. I hope the children will be prompt in getting here, as the door will be closed at a quarter past 2, when the story begins. Saturday after New Year will be the time for the next meeting.

Three hundred and seventy-three books have been put in the shelves, besides a set of Encyclopedia Britannica, donated by Judge and Mrs. H. M. Garwood of Houston.

Four magazines and a set of books are being paid for with the money taken in for fines.

Three hundred and sixty-five new names have been added to the register, which shows how the reading list is increasing.

What would we do without our daily paper? The librarian feels grateful for the help given through its columns to this institution.

Don't forget that the reading room is open all day. Books given out at 9:30 to 12 m., and from 3 to 5:30 p. m.

WILLIE L. ROGERS,  
Librarian.

## CRAP SHOOTERS TRIALS RESET.

The cases of thirty-four negroes, charged with gaming some time ago, were called for trial in the justice court this morning, but were postponed until Jan. 4 on account of the cases not being ready for trial. The negroes were arrested by Deputy Sheriff Battle and Constable Baker some time ago, but their cases were not called for trial until this morning.

## MAY DELAY LUSITANIA SETTLEMENT

Withdrawal of Boy-Ed and Von Papen and American Demands on Austria Over Ancona Sinking, the Cause.

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 21.—The full settlement of the Lusitania case recently was near, but because of the withdrawal of Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen and the American demands on Austria in the Ancona case, Berlin officials have decided a settlement satisfactory to the United States now would not meet with popular German approval, according to reliable information here.



## LOCALS

## WEDNESDAY

Herman Kindt was in the city today from Kurten.

J. W. Doremus Jr. of Calvert is here on business.

Joe B. Walker of Alexander was in the city today.

J. M. Saladinier went to Houston on business yesterday.

W. L. Closs was here from Tabor on business today.

Bernard Stewart went to Hearne for a brief visit today.

Marvin Elliott of the Tabor community was in town today.

S. C. and J. L. Hicks of Keith were trading in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crenshaw of Cottonwood were in the city today.

T. B. Martin was in the city today from his home at Steep Hollow.

R. M. Gordon has returned to Houston, after a brief visit to this city.

W. L. Boyett returned to Houston yesterday, after a visit to this city.

Mrs. Pearl Martindale and son John of Edge went to Houston today for a visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Means of Independence were among the visitors in the city today.

C. S. Henry and family have shipped their household goods and have gone to Manor, Travis County, Texas, to make their home in future.

A. F. Wilson has returned to his plantation in the Brazos bottom, after spending several days at his home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Shisa, Prof. and Mrs. F. C. Bolton and Mrs. R. P. Marsteller were visitors to the city today from College.

H. L. McKnight went to Teague today in the interest of the agricultural extension work of the A. and M. College.

Miss Martha Goodwin has returned to her home in Kilgore, after a pleasant visit to her aunt, Mrs. N. A. Stewart and other relatives in this city.

Mrs. S. A. Dansby went to Austin today, where she will have her eyes treated. She was accompanied by H. P. Dansby.

Theo Miller, superintendent of public construction for the government, arrived from Ennis yesterday for his weekly inspection of the work on the new postoffice building.

Mr. and Mrs. James O. Chance will leave Saturday for Tamworth, N. H., to spend Christmas with their son, James O. Chance Jr., who is in school in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hunnicutt left today for San Angelo, where they will remain some two months in the interest of Mr. Hunnicutt's health. They were accompanied by Mrs. J. L. Robertson.

Dr. J. L. Fountain left yesterday for Chicago, Ill., where he will spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Ed Price.

Lula Donnelly, colored, plead guilty to a charge of disturbing the peace before Justice of the Peace L. D. McGee this morning and was fined \$1 and costs.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Johnson have returned from Jacksonville, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Johnson's mother.

I wish to announce to my friends that I am now at Philip Hermer's dry goods store and will appreciate your future trade. Call and see me. Lacy Pittman.

## THURSDAY

L. S. Williams of Coleview was in town trading today.

J. M. Saladinier has returned from a business trip to Houston.

Dr. J. C. Davidson was a visitor to the city today from Harvey.

Mrs. J. S. Jenkins of Mumford is a guest of friends in this city.

W. H. McVey was in town on business today from Minter Springs.

Will C. Johnson returned to Beaumont yesterday, after a visit to this city.

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Odom of Kurten were among the visitors in the city today.

Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Rea of Harvey have returned from a visit to Houston.

P. L. Barron of Wellborn was in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sample were visitors to the city today from their home on Cottonwood.

Miss Hazel Hewitt arrived today from Navasota and is a guest of friends in this city.

Mrs. S. P. Martin has returned to Houston, after a visit to her father, A. A. Dean of Tabor.

Miss Minnie Rogers left today for her home in St. Louis, after a pleasant visit to Mrs. W. S. Howell.

Mrs. M. L. Friend arrived today from Galveston for a visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Lavender.

Mrs. F. L. Webb and little son, Frank Webb Jr., have returned from a visit to her parents in Beaumont.

Joe Goldberg went to Corpus Christi

yesterday to join his wife and little daughter in a visit to relatives and friends in that city. Mr. Goldberg states that he will be a member of a big party of hunters on the coast during the Christmas holidays.

H. G. Green, representative of the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co., has returned to his home in Brenham after several days' visit in this city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Thompson returned yesterday from Marlin, where they have been in the interest of the former's health.

Rec. C. T. Tally has returned from Hearne, where he attended the missionary conference of the Marlin district.

## FRIDAY

Bowen Barnes and D. Roddy of Flynn were here today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holder of Harvey were among the visitors in the city today.

Miss Kate Lee Henley of Temple arrived yesterday for a visit to Mrs. L. P. Thomas.

Miss Erin Blatherwick has returned from an extended visit to relatives in Norman.

Miss Lizzie Slaughter has returned to Benchley, after visiting relatives at Steep Hollow.

Mrs. W. F. Proctor and daughter, Miss Louise, of College were shopping in the city today.

Rev. J. J. Pipkin left today for a visit to Midland in the interest of Buckner Orphans' Home in Dallas.

Misses Erma and Winona Gilbert of Oakwoods are visiting relatives and friends at Wellborn.

Mrs. W. E. Battle has returned from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Royder of Wellborn.

O. L. Tabor has returned from a visit to his son, O. L. Tabor Jr. and wife and other relatives and friends in Houston.

Milton Potter, a student of A. and M. College, has gone to his home in Galveston to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. J. E. Pitzer Jr. arrived yesterday from Sweetwater to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Trant.

Mrs. W. R. Fairman has returned from Waco, where she attended the marriage of her sister, Miss Ethel Long, to Mr. Charlie McNeal in that city Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Josie Fender returned to Wellborn yesterday, after a visit to friends in this city. Mrs. Fender has rented the old Dawson home on East Anderson street and will open a boarding house there on Jan. 1.

J. W. Doremus Jr. returned to Calvert today, after a business trip to this city.

## SATURDAY

Wiley Kelly of Tabor was in town today.

Mrs. L. H. Bradley is visiting relatives in Millican.

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Odom were here today from Kurten.

George B. and J. L. Hensarling were in the city today from Wellborn.

Mrs. L. E. Moorehead left last night for a visit to relatives in Warren, Tex.

R. S. Newsom of Whitaker was in the city on business yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. C. N. Ousley went to Dallas today for a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Jno. Rosser.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cook of Steep Hollow were among the visitors to the city today.

George Foster and H. H. Hodges were in town on business today from the Brazos bottom.

C. M. Risinger and Prof. A. B. Ford were among the visitors to the city from Steep Hollow today.

J. F. Sullivan of the Houston & Texas Central Railroad was in the city on business yesterday.

Misses Bessie and Clara Seale and Hattie Halton of Benchley were shopping in the city today.

Miss Lottie Blanton and Miss Nannie Williams were in the city from Cottonwood shopping today.

Mrs. H. J. Schlafly of Carlyle, Ill., arrived today to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. G. S. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Darby, David Scott and Miss Lizzie Grissett were visitors to Bryan from Iowa today.

Albert Walker, who is attending school in this city, returned to his home in Groesbeck today to spend the Christmas holidays.

Little Miss Inez Reed, a student at Villa Maria Academy, returned to her home in Marlin today to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Elsie Martin arrived yesterday from Baylor University at Waco to spend the Christmas holidays at her home in this city.

J. S. Doane, proprietor of Hotel Bryan, has returned from Fort Worth, where he has been attending the Hotel Men's State Convention.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Risinger of Steep Hollow have gone to Koonz,

Hardin County, to spend Christmas with relatives in that city.

Misses Marguerite and Lucille Sims of Villa Maria Academy went to Dallas today to spend the Christmas holidays at their home in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. James O. Chance left today for Tamworth, N. H., to spend Christmas with their son, James O. Chance Jr., who is in school in that city.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Sells of Taft, Cal., will rejoice with them in the birth of a little son yesterday. Mrs. Sells was formerly Miss Bessie Buchanan.

## MONDAY

J. M. Olsen of Steep Hollow was here today.

Henry Koonz of Zack was in the city on business today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Gilpin visited the city today from Kurten.

Rev. C. C. Frieling of Reliance was a visitor to the city today.

Douglass Howell spent the weekend with friends in Navasota.

Mrs. Morgan Closs of Cottonwood was shopping in the city today.

Mrs. Charles Sosolik and little son are visiting relatives in Ennis.

Mrs. Emma Schmidt has returned from a visit to relatives in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Taylor of Cooks Point were shopping in the city today.

Mrs. I. Gordon is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Levine of Calvert.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Preston of Dallas are guests of J. Ralph Howell and family.

George Wicker Jr. and Walter Holmes are at home from Tyler Commercial College at Tyler to spend the holidays.

Jno. Daly Jr. went to Austin on business yesterday.

Mrs. Addie Gillingham of Houston arrived today and is a guest of relatives in this city.

Jim Stevens of the Navasota Examiner spent yesterday with friends in this city.

Arnold Levertson is at home from Baylor University at Waco to spend the holidays.

John Conaway and Miss Ella Conaway were visitors to Bryan from Independence today.

Mrs. A. B. Carr Jr. of Houston arrived today for a visit to her mother, Mrs. M. J. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Holland arrived yesterday from Plainview for a visit to relatives in this county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sheppard of Smiley, Tex., arrived yesterday for a visit to relatives at Kurten.

Miss Alma Robinson of San Antonio is a guest of Mrs. Elizabeth Wilcox and other friends in this city.

W. A. Murray of Mesa, Grimes County, was here today en route to Pearsall for a visit to his sister.

Edwin Jenkins and Harry Edge are at home from Southwestern University at Georgetown to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Betty Skains and daughter, Miss Kate Skains, have returned to their home in Franklin, after having been called here by the death of Mrs. Skains' sister, Mrs. W. H. Walker.

W. A. McMillan has returned to Calvert, having been called here by the death of his sister, Mrs. W. H. Walker.

Mrs. W. J. Walker and son, James Walker, have gone to Commerce to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hart.

Mrs. J. A. Parker, Lee Parker, W. G. Veeley, Mrs. A. W. Royder, Mrs. Geo. Royder came up from Wellborn and spent the day in the city shopping.

W. L. Driver, athletic director at the A. and M. College, is spending the holidays on a hunting trip in the Ozarks.

Miss Pearl Drummond is at home from Cotter College, Nevada, Mo., to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Drummond of Cottonwood.

Miss Eleanor Meachum has returned to her home in Anderson, after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. J. Ralph Howell. She was accompanied home by her little nephew, Master Ralph Howell Jr., who will spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. E. W. Kerr of Baton Rouge, La., and sons, Eugene and Ray, and daughter, Janette, have arrived at the A. and M. College to spend Christmas with Mrs. Kerr's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Shisa. Professor Kerr will be in Cuba on professional business during the holidays.

Mrs. J. T. Kelly and daughter, Miss Vera Wiley, have returned to their home in Marlin, after an extended visit to Mrs. Kelly's mother, Mrs. L. E. Battle.

Mrs. H. B. McDowell and little daughter went to Hearne today to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. J. S. Byars and daughter, Miss Gussie Byars, and W. M. Byars were in the city today from Independence.

Mrs. Ole Martinsen of Corpus Christi arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oprstny.

Jordan T. Lawler and mother, Mrs. H. T. Lawler, have returned from an extended visit to San Francisco, Cal., and other points on the Pacific coast.

## TUESDAY

Jimmy Cahill of Smetana was in town today.

J. L. Hensarling of Wellborn was in town today.

Jno. Daly Sr. went to Navasota on business yesterday.

W. E. Gandy was up today from his home near Wellborn.

J. M. Cole left yesterday for a visit to friends in Rosenberg.

Bob Batton was down today from his home on Cottonwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Cy Koonz were in the city today from Zack.

Miss Maud Sowarby of College was shopping in the city today.

Dr. W. A. Smith of Millican was in town today between trains.

V. P. Denton of Whitewright is a guest of friends in this city.

George P. Edge was in the city today from Harris school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Robinson visited the city today from Wixon.

J. W. Sheppard and Henry Sheppard of Kurten were in the city today.

No disappointment about your gift if it comes from Park's Jewelry store.

J. W. Doremus Jr. of Calvert was among the guests at Hotel Bryan today.

Wiley Coulson, a well known citizen of Iowa, was a visitor to Bryan today.

Misses Lillie and Minnie Ferguson of Harvey were shopping in the city today.

W. S. Mial of the Brazos bottom was in the city transacting business today.

Mrs. H. R. Ousley left today for a visit to relatives in Dallas and Fort Worth.

Miss Caro Mae Edwards of Millican is a guest of relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. I. Gordon and little daughter have returned from a visit to relatives in Calvert.

Miss Clara Braatz has returned from an extended visit to California and Colorado.

W. L. Edge of Port Arthur is here to spend Christmas with relatives in this city and at Edge.

Mrs. R. P. Lee and little son, Rudolph, went to Dallas today to spend Christmas with relatives.

Professor and Mrs. H. H. Williamson of the A. and M. College went to Bedias yesterday to spend Christmas with relatives.

Miss Kathleen McMichael arrived yesterday from Denton, where she is attending the College of Industrial Arts to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Lula McMichael.

C. M. Evans of the agricultural extension department of the A. and M. College went to Mineola today to conduct a horticultural campaign.

Miss Kathryn Boyett arrived today from Hempstead, where she is teaching, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boyett.

Mrs. R. R. Ellis and son Leldon went to Houston yesterday to spend Christmas with relatives. They will be joined in a few days by Mr. Ellis.

Get you a Christmas starter, a "Sambo" for your friend. It will make life look different. H. C. Gibson, agent, phone 218. Come and let me demonstrate it for you and be convinced.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Batte Jr. and little daughter, Helen, arrived today from Tampico, Mexico, to spend Christmas with Mr. Batte's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Batte.

The excavation work for the sidewalks on Bryan street is progressing slowly, necessarily so, however, on account of the number of pipe connections at the back of the stores, which are near the top of the ground, which prevents the use of wheelers of scrapers.

Henry Kurten of Kurten was in the city trading today.

T. P. Hall was a visitor to the city from Steep Hollow today.

George Williams of Coleview was in town on business today.

C. W. Lemm of Brenham, who holds the state record for bowling, was in the city on business today.

Malcolm M. Graham, a student of Allen Academy, returned to his home in Galveston last night to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Herman Pipkin of Amarillo, who has been visiting relatives in Navasota and Somerville, arrived today and is a guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Pipkin and family and other relatives in this city.

Another car of gravel has been received by the International & Great Northern Railroad Company to be placed on Bryan street. This work is nearing completion, as there remains only one more block to be graveled, from West Burleson street to West Fannin street.

Mrs. W. F. Hoppess and little son, Coulter Hoppess, arrived yesterday from Hillsboro to spend Christmas with Mrs. Hoppess' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coulter.

Orders for poll tax not necessary to have revenue stamp. We have just received notice from Internal Revenue Collector A. S. Walker that orders for poll tax not required to have revenue stamp. W. I. McCulloch, Tax Collector, Brazos County, Texas.

## INSTRUCTING ONE'S WIDOW.

Your wife may not know your true financial condition but your widow will—hence the need of training. If you will persist in procrastinating in adequately providing for the future then instruct her what to say to the children when the bread wagon passes the door and does not stop and they are hungry. Tell her what to say to the groceryman when he refuses her credit and tells her he cannot sell her any longer because she has no funds with which to pay. Tell her what she should say when the weather is cold and damp and the child's feet are on the ground—tell her how to buy shoes without money. Tell her what she should say to your children when they plead with her for an education and she is unable to send them to school. Inform her how she shall persuade the physician to come when they are sick and he demands pay before he makes the visit. If she is to enter the business world after you die and earn her own living, tell her something about the dangers of that world to the woman who fights daily for her living and her virtue. Take her out some evening and show her the pale, shrinking figures that throng our streets and in the pale gleam of the gaslight, let her study their faces and ask them why they lost out in the battle. Play fair, procrastinator, juggle with the future of a helpless wife and children—instruct your wife to choose from the great army of widows in America today who are earning their own living because some breadwinner failed to adequately provide for them—choose from their ranks one whom you would have her pattern after. If she is to keep boarders—if she is to take in plain sewing—if she is to wield the scrub brush in some office building—let her begin to keep them now, let her begin to sew now, buy her a scrub brush now and let her practice so that the day when death claims you for his own will not find her unprepared—or a much better way—sign an application now and make assurances doubly sure to her whom you promised to love, cherish and protect.

## MRS. ANNIE K. STASNEY DEAD.

## A Christian Wife and Mother Gathered to Her Reward.

At 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning Mrs. Annie K. Stasney, wife of Hugo F. Stasney, and a member of one of Bryan's most prominent Bohemian families, died at her home after an illness of several days.

She was 29 years 7 months and 29 days of age and was born and reared in this city. She was formerly Miss Annie Wesatka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wasatka, one of Brazos County's oldest Bohemian families. She has lived in Bryan since childhood, and her death is sincerely regretted by friends over the entire county.

She was a member of the Catholic Church, active in all church work, sincere in her beliefs and was a regular attendant at all services. She was also a member of the S. P. J. S. T. Lodge, a fraternal order.

She was married to Hugo F. Stasney thirteen years ago and is survived by him and two children, one son, Lawrence, age 12, and one daughter, Clara, age 7.

The deep and heartfelt sympathy of all is extended to the members of the family in this sad hour.

The funeral was held from the family home this afternoon at 3 o'clock and the remains were laid to rest in the City Cemetery.

## TO BRAZOS COUNTY LAND OWNERS

If you have gravel beds, rock or road material on your land, would advise that you see county judge, as Brazos County Road District No. One will not consider third party speculation.

Please, please, do not drive over or destroy surveyor's stakes along roads. This means savings of expense to us. W. J. COULTER, Chairman Road District Committee.

## HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

## VIA I. &amp; G. N. RAILWAY.

One and one-third fare round trip tickets to Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Memphis, on sale Dec. 18, 23, 24, 25, 26, and Jan. 1; limit Jan. 5. To Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, New Orleans, Washington, Baltimore, all points in Southeast and several points in Colorado, sell Dec. 21, 22 and 23; limit Jan. 18. See ticket agent, I. & G. N. Railway.

FOR SALE CHEAP if taken at once, two registered Jersey male calves, one registered male yearling. See L. M. Gandy. Phone 1438.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

J. M. Thompson and Mrs. Emma Andrews.

Jim Martin and Hattie Randle.

## GOVERNMENT COTTON GINNING REPORT

The Report Shows the Ginnings More Than Three and a Half Million Bales Behind Last Year.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The seventh cotton ginning report of the season, compiled from reports of census bureau correspondents and agents throughout the cotton belt and issued at 10 a. m. today, announced that 10,303,253 bales of cotton counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1915, has been ginned prior to Dec. 13. That compares with 13,972,229 bales, or 87.8 per cent of the entire crop ginned prior to Dec. 13 last year, 12,088,412 bales, or 92.5 per cent in 1913 and 11,854,541 bales, or 92.2 per cent in 1912. The average quantity of cotton ginned prior to Dec. 13 in the last ten years was 11,476,189 bales or 89.5 per cent of the crop.

Included in the ginnings were 101,840 round bales, compared with 42,796 last year, 91,686 in 1913 and 75,772 in 1912.

Sea Island cotton included numbered 83,810 bales, compared with 71,401 last year, 69,520 in 1913 and 60,445 in 1912.



## CHRISTMAS TREES IN BRYAN CHURCHES

Elaborate Preparations to Make  
Christmas Joyous for the  
Children.

The Sunday schools of the city, with the exception of the Free Baptist, have decided to have Christmas trees this year and following is the time set by each school and the arrangements made by each:

### Presbyterian Sunday School.

The Presbyterian Sunday school, according to a custom established within the past few years, will not hold the usual Christmas tree with the accompanying gifts to the members of the school, but will again hold on Thursday, Dec. 23, what is called "The White Christmas," where presents are collected for the orphans and every member of the Sunday school is given a chance to take part in the offering. Miss Malcolm McInnis is chairman of the decoration and program committee and states that she is arranging one of the best programs possible. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these exercises, which will be given in the nature of a surprise, as the arrangements will not all be given out to the public, and something out of the ordinary is promised by the ladies of the school.

### Methodist Sunday School.

The Methodist Sunday school is making elaborate preparations to make their annual Christmas tree one of the biggest successes of its kind they have ever held. A good program is being arranged by Mrs. W. B. Cline, and the decorations are under the supervision of Mrs. Dona Carnes. The tree, with accompanying exercises, will be held on Friday (Christmas Eve) night and a happy evening is assured all who attend.

### First Baptist Sunday School.

The First Baptist Sunday school will have their tree with a fine program at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening, Dec. 24. The ladies of the school are endeavoring to make it one of the happiest and most pleasantly spent evenings of the holidays for all who attend. Following are the committees appointed by John A. Moore Jr.,

superintendent of the Sunday school: Committee to Get Tree—Baraca Class, J. M. Hare, chairman.

Committee on Decorations—All the teachers of the school. Mrs. T. R. Batte, chairman; assistants to decoration committee, M. A. Miller, W. T. Bryant and Professor Starkey.

Purchasing Committee—All teachers of primary department. Mrs. T. R. Batte, chairman. All teachers of the junior department, Mrs. W. T. Bryant, chairman.

All Needed Presents Above the Junior Department—Mrs. J. Webb Howell, chairman; Mrs. H. L. McKnight and Mrs. E. L. Webb.

Program Committee—Mrs. W. C. Davis, chairman; Mrs. T. R. Batte and Mrs. Geo. A. Adams.

Committee to Call Presents From Tree—W. C. Davis, chairman; R. S. Webb Jr., W. T. Bryant, M. A. Miller, Professor Starkey and T. P. Boyett Jr.

Distributing Committee—Douglas Howell, chairman; Arnold Leverton, Sanky Park, J. Allen Myers Jr., Byron McKnight and Milton Fountain.

### Christian Sunday School.

The Christmas tree of the Christian Sunday school will also be held on Christmas Eve night and a good program is being prepared. Mrs. Hudson Myers is chairman of the program and decoration committee and with the assistance of the other ladies of the church, she plans to make the evening a thorough success. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

### Episcopal Sunday School.

The Episcopal Sunday school will hold their "Children's Festival," including a Christmas tree and manger, at 7:30 o'clock on Friday (Christmas Eve) night, and a good program is being prepared by the ladies of the guild for the occasion. The committees appointed to make all arrangements are as follows:

Committee to Secure the Tree—Mrs. M. B. Parker, Mrs. J. S. Mooring and Miss Cora Garth.

Committee on Decoration—The Young Ladies of the guild.

The Christmas tree exercises will be followed by the regular midnight mass. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

### St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

No special Christmas tree will be given by St. Joseph's Church, but a tree will be provided for the children of the Sunday school by the Ursuline sisters who are teaching the parochial

school. This, with accompanying exercises, will be held in the afternoon of Dec. 23, before the school is released for the holidays.

**FRENCH ORDERED RAILS.**  
Pennsylvania Steel Company Asked to Furnish 85,000 Tons.

(By Associated Press.)  
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 17.—The Pennsylvania Steel Company announced Thursday that the French government had placed with it an order for 85,000 tons of steel rails.

### SPRITED BOWLING MATCH.

First Team Defeated by Picked Team by Close Margin.

Bryan's first team of bowlers was defeated by a picked team last night on the Bryan pool hall alleys, in one of the most spirited contests ever witnessed in this city. The first team won the first two of the three games played by the narrow margin of 11 and 13 pins respectively, but the picked team came through in the last game with a lead of 90 pins. The total scores were: First team, 2,436; picked team, 2,502.

Some of the first team bowlers were off form and fell far below their standard, but O. E. Saunders and L. O. Zanetti of that team rolled at top form with averages of 174 and 175 respectively.

Quite a crowd was present to witness the contest and much interest and enthusiasm was manifested. The two teams are matched to roll again next Tuesday night.

### WILL ISSUE ROAD WARRANTS.

\$130,000 Is Proposed by the Trinity County Commissioners.

Groveton, Tex., Dec. 16.—The commissioners' court of this county, in session this week, has decided to issue road warrants to the amount of \$130,000, of which amount \$30,000 will be set aside to pay one-half the cost of constructing a bridge across the Trinity River at Riverside, the other half to be paid by Walker County. The balance will be used in completing the public road from this place to Trinity, and in building a good road to Pennington and to the iron bridge on Neches River. Warrants will be issued as the material is furnished and the work performed, and it is understood the warrants will be made to draw 6 per cent interest.

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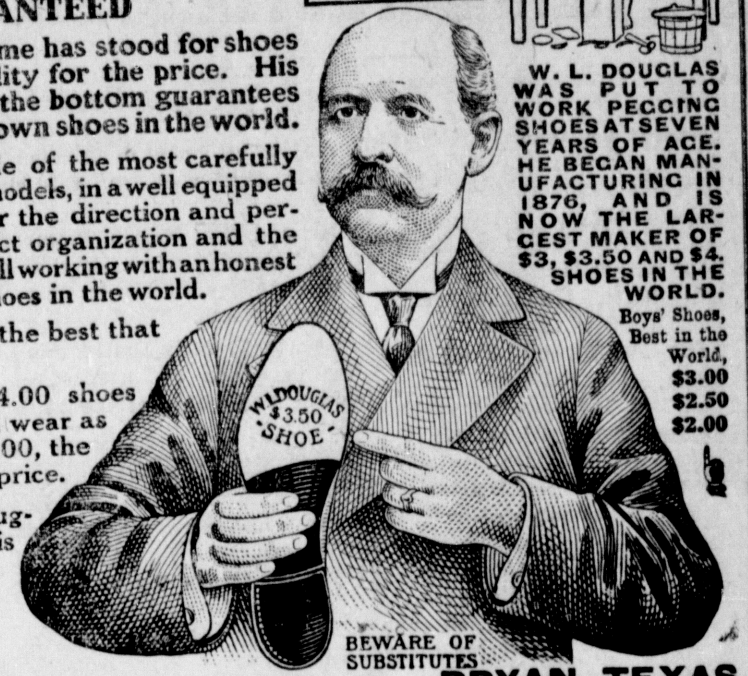
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## GIRLS PRACTICING WAR ECONOMY

How to Live on 15 Cents a Day One of the Problems They Are Trying to Solve.

(Correspondence Associated Press.)  
Nancy, France, Dec. 16.—Eighty young girls from Pont-a-Mousson, from Gerbevillers, from Nomeny, from Alsace and different parts of Lorraine are passing their exile here in Nancy, learning domestic economy in a building in which the Germans made cheap soup before the war.

"How to live on 15 cents a day" and have a little something over, is the essence of the problem the girls have to solve. In doing it they begin at the market, learning how to buy, then the value and uses of what they have bought and how to get the most out of it.

The work also includes designing, cutting and sewing.

"We owe it to the soldiers who are fighting that when they return to their destroyed firesides they will find that their children have been neither abandoned nor neglected, but that during their absence they have received the training and education that will enable them to face the future with courage and confidence," said Prefect Mirman to the correspondent after showing him the work rooms.

### AN R. F. D. LIBRARY SERVICE.

In the January Woman's Home Companion is the story of a Maryland woman named Mary Dewitt Titcomb who has extended the field of the Washington County free library until it supplies the loneliest, inaugurating an R. F. D. library service. In reward the trustees have built her a residence attached to the library.

"Miss Titcomb felt that it was necessary for the library to go to those who were not able to come to the library. So, with the consent of the trustees, she built her first 'library wagon.' It was, according to her own description, 'most like a sublimated laundry wagon. There were side doors opening outward, and each side was fitted with shelves full of books. Between the shelves and in the space below were boxes holding more books. Drawn by two dapper mules, the wagon started on its mission of carrying good books to every little crossroads settlement, every hillside farm. An auto has now taken the place of the wagon, and it carries a visiting librarian, who helps farm families and the teachers of remote schools in their selection of books and pictures. It makes two trips a week on sixteen routes, covering the entire county. The county has fifty thousand inhabitants, and last year the circulation of books from the traveling library alone was sixty thousand. Its clients demand less fiction than do the town people, showing a keen interest in works devoted to travel, biography, history, sociology and poetry. Appreciating the value of their librarian, the trustees have built a charming residence, attached to the library just as a manse is to its church, in which Miss Titcomb now lives."

### RETURNED FROM HUNT.

Dr. B. U. Sims, O. E. Saunders and H. N. Rohde have returned from a hunting trip to Richmond, Tex. They report game rather scarce this year and only moderate success. However, they had a delightful outing.

## COMMISSIONERS' COURT PROCEEDINGS

Cattle Dipping Vat to Be Built—Janitor's Salary Cut to \$40.

The commissioners' court adjourned yesterday afternoon, after a session of one week, with Judge Maloney presiding and all members present. Following are the proceedings of the court while in session:

A motion was made and carried that permission be granted to M. F. Dansby and others to construct a dipping vat for cattle on the county farm land, the location of the vat to be fixed by the county. Mr. Dansby is to be required to file a bill of the cost of construction, and charges will be made for dipping until the bill is paid, and then use of the vat will be free except a nominal charge for its maintenance.

Three maps of Brazos County and field notes were purchased from Monroe Edge for \$15.

The court ordered that W. J. Coulter of the good roads advisory committee and Judge J. T. Maloney secure options on land in the vicinity of the good roads to be built by the county. A motion was made and carried that the salary of the janitor of the court house be reduced to \$40 per month. The janitor was formerly paid \$50 per month.

The court was then adjourned.

## NEW AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO NAMED

Diplomatic Relations Restored—Broken Three Years Ago.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador to Chile, was today nominated by President Wilson as ambassador to Mexico. This will restore diplomatic relations with that country which were broken off nearly three years ago.

## CHILD KILLED AND PARENTS INJURED

Clarksville, Tex., Dec. 17.—A child of Ollie Keeling was killed and the parents injured in a wind storm which destroyed their home south of Clarksville last night.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFER

John R. Peyton to L. L. Peyton et als, 112 acres of land lying in the Thomas Yates and Wm. Henry surveys in Brazos and Robertson counties, 53½ acres of land in Robertson County consideration \$1 and other valuable considerations.

John R. Peyton et als to John R. Peyton Jr., 30 acres of land in the Thomas Yates and William Henry surveys in Brazos and Robertson counties, 15 acres of the tract being in each county; consideration \$1 and other valuable considerations.

D. G. Gibson to H. P. Dansby, 120 acres of land in the B. B. B. and C. R. R. 300 acres in Brazos County; consideration \$1,400.

W. C. Mobley to Robert Fuqua, lots 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in block 36 in the town of Millican, in Brazos County; consideration \$1 and other considerations.

## HAS TRAINED HORSE TO BITE PRISONERS

Ellis County Grand Jury Scores Management of County Convict Farm.

(By Associated Press.)  
Waxahatchie, Tex., Dec. 17.—The report of the grand jury to the district court criticising the management of the Ellis County farm, says that a trained horse is kept to bite prisoners who lag in their farm work. The mean quality of the supplies and unhealthy housing is also charged.

## NEW WHEAT CROP WILL BE LARGE

Will Fall Below This Year's, but Greater Than Past Five-Year Average.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Dec. 17.—Next year's winter wheat crop was estimated today at 540,000,000 bushels, more than 100,000,000 bushels short of this year's, but a 100,000,000 more than the five-year average. The estimate was based on the acreage.

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## New Blacksmith Shop

We have purchased the Plasek blacksmith shop on West Anderson street and invite the people of Brazos County to call when in need of anything in our line. We make a specialty of horse-shoeing.

GRIFIN BROTHERS  
Old Plasek Stand

## MULES!

A good selection of all classes on hand. Freight prepaid to your station; cash or terms. Write, phone or come.—I. N. CONYERS, Marlin, Texas.

## Problems For Nov. and Dec.

**Next Year's Cotton Seed**—Anthracnose, or cotton boll rot, has infected all cotton seed grown east of a line running from Wichita Falls south through Llan, Austin Bastrop and Bay City. All farmers east of that line should plow under or cut and burn all cotton stalks and get seed for next year's planting from points west of that line. To plant infected seed will mean disaster to the crop next spring and summer. An opportunity for profitable cooperation is presented to farmers on both sides of the line. Those on the infected side should get together, combine their orders and buy seed in bulk. Farmers in the non-infested area should unite and seek a market for their surplus seed.

**The Boll Weevil**—There are more boll weevils in the cotton fields of Texas than at any time in the history of the state. The menace to next year's crop is very great. All cotton stalks should have been plowed under or burned before this time, but if this has not been done no time should be lost in attending to this important matter. If the weevils are not destroyed before they go into winter quarters it will be hazardous to plant cotton on the land next year.

The above is copied from Extension Service Farm News—issued semi-monthly at College Station. These bulletins contain valuable information to farmers. They can be obtained for the asking. Get your name on the mailing list.

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# LOOKS LIKE GERMANS PREPARING TO ATTACK

**Salonika, on the Greek Coast, Where Two Hundred Thousand Allies Are Encamped, Is the Center of War Interest—A Hundred Thousand Bulgars Are Near at Hand and a Teutonic Attack Is Expected—England Calls Out Those Who Have Volunteered Between the Ages of 19 and 22—The United States Preparing Another Note to Austria and Further Relations Will Depend on Austria's Reply—Eight of Zeppelin Crew That Attacked London Found Frozen to Death on Their Return to Germany—A German General Was Killed in Battle.**

[By Associated Press.] London, Dec. 18.—A royal decree today calls out four classes of recruits who have volunteered under the Earl of Derby's plan of raising a new army. The gross number was not given, but the ages range from 19 to 22 years. The Bulgarian army of 100,000 is resting on the Serbian border, while Saloniki continues the center of war interest.

Belief that the Teutons may force the fight on the allies in the Greek stronghold grows. The latter are fortifying rapidly.

The Teutonic invasion on Montenegro is reported from Berlin to have cleared considerable territory of native troops.

The French chamber yesterday appointed a special parliamentary commission of forty-four to supervise all army supply contracts following many charges of irregularities.

## ANOTHER NOTE TO AUSTRIA.

[By Associated Press.] Washington, Dec. 18.—President Wilson today began the preparation

## LIVE MEETING OF POULTRY ASSOCIATION

Poultry Show Postponed to Last Week in January—Woman's Club Will Heartily Co-Operate.

A joint meeting was held at 7:30 last evening at the office of Farm Demonstration Agent A. W. Buchanan, between the members of the Brazos County Poultry Association and a committee from the Woman's Club of Bryan.

A. W. Buchanan was elected to preside temporarily until the arrival of President C. E. Jenkins, who was delayed by a meeting of Chemical Company No. 2 of the fire department. Secretary Crenshaw was at his desk and the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

A committee from the Woman's Club was present, composed of Mrs. W. S. Howell, chairman; Mrs. J. Webb Howell, Mrs. S. C. Williams, Mrs. P. M. Rayson and the club president, Mrs. A. J. Buchanan. Other ladies present were Mrs. A. W. Buchanan, Miss Mary Locke and Mrs. T. J. Caywood.

The committee from the Woman's Club pledged their undivided support in making the poultry show to be held here soon a success. They stated they had appropriated \$50 of the \$100 presented to the club by J. Webb Howell to be used in rural betterment, for the purchase of five scholarships to the A. and M. College short course to be held next summer, and would offer these scholarships as premiums to the rural women and girls in the forthcoming poultry show, on both poultry and in the domestic science department, the number to be given in each department to be decided on later.

On motion it was decided to postpone the poultry show from Jan. 7 and 8, as announced, to the last week in January, the exact dates to be announced later.

The matter of a building in which to hold the show was discussed and the committee having this matter in charge was continued and will endeavor to be able to make their final report to the next meeting.

The matter of coops for the exhibits was discussed and Mr. Conway of the poultry department of the A. and M. College was instructed to write different companies for prices for rent of coops and also for purchase.

A new membership committee was announced as follows: Mrs. G. W.

of another note to Austria, pursuant to Austria's failure to meet the United States' demands on the sinking of the Ancona.

Future friendly relations between the two countries will depend upon the reply from Austria to the note the president is writing today. It is said it will call upon Austria for a prompt accession to the demands contained in the original notes.

### Zeppelin Crew Froze to Death.

[By Associated Press.] London, Dec. 18.—Eight members of the crew of the Zeppelin which raided London on Oct. 13 were found frozen to death on the return to Germany, according to the Daily Express. It is said to have created a sensation in Germany and possibly deterred further raids.

### German General Killed.

[By Associated Press.] London, Dec. 18.—Major General Von Stoeckhausen of the German army has been killed in action, says an Amsterdam dispatch.

Emory, Mrs. W. S. Howell, A. S. Adams, Chas. Wetter and Frank Myers.

A motion was passed that the president appoint a finance committee of five members and same have been designated as follows: J. Webb Howell, A. S. Adams, H. Crenshaw, J. H. Conway and Frank Myers. Several new members were placed on the membership roll from among those in attendance.

It was decided to hold an open meeting of the association at Carnegie Hall on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 6, and Professors Conway and Kazemir of the A. and M. College were invited to address the meeting.

The association was then adjourned to Tuesday night next at 7:30 o'clock.

### THE DUNLAP PRESS.

Demonstration of His Invention Proved Highly Satisfactory.

Messrs. A. B. Slack and W. Wortham returned to Houston yesterday after a brief visit to this city to inspect the Dunlap round bale press, invented by S. H. Dunlap of this city, of which the Eagle made brief mention yesterday. Mr. Slack is a member of the firm of Hubble & Slack, cotton exporters of Houston, which company is also represented by Mr. Wortham. Both gentlemen state that the round bale is the coming bale, as the shipping rates are almost one-fourth cheaper than the rate on the square bale. For this reason the cotton exporters are looking for a good round bale press that will be satisfactory. We are informed that Mr. Dunlap's press is the only new press invented that has proven anything like satisfactory. The two gentlemen were very favorably impressed with the demonstration, which proved highly successful, the required density and weight being obtained on the bales ginned. The gin battery is fitted with double or twin presses, and while one bale is being covered another bale is being rolled on the opposite press, and hardly a stop is necessary. The bale is rolled around a metal roll, which divides in the center and which tapers toward the middle. This roll can easily be removed from the press. A maximum of about two hundred pounds pressure is used on the bales, which has proven sufficient to make a good solid bale of the required weight.

"Some people are humorous without even knowing it." "As when, for instance?" "Here's a man advertises a lecture on the 'Panama Canal,' illustrated with slides."—Chicago Herald.

## STATE'S WEALTH SET AT \$2,757,060,973

Gain Then Over Previous Year Fifty Million Dollars—Dallas Leads and Harris County Second.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 15.—Total wealth of the state of Texas is \$2,757,060,973, as disclosed by the 1915 tax rolls, filed in the comptroller's department, this being an increase of \$12,795,026 over 1914, when the total assessed valuations amounted to \$2,744,265,947.

This increase is not quite as much as had been estimated, as the increase in 1914 over the previous year was \$50,000,000.

Dallas County led, with a valuation of \$142,135,630; Harris County second, with \$133,204,807; Bexar County third with \$110,414,745, and Tarrant County is fourth, with \$100,257,445.

### AN INTERESTING LECTURE.

A lecture for the Bohemian residents of Brazos County was given at the Queen theater last night in connection with slide pictures of scenes of the old and new world, the greatest scenes of the world and interesting slide pictures of European cities and famous churches. The lecture was given in the Bohemian language by E. Vraz, a well-known Bohemian lecturer, who has made the trip around the world two or three times. The lecture is reported to have been highly interesting. Quite a large number attended the show.

### 600 TURKEYS IN DROVE.

Brought \$961 in Temple Market on Tuesday.

Temple, Tex., Dec. 15.—A drove of 600 turkeys, mobilized at Salado, twenty miles from Temple, was successfully driven over country roads and through city streets yesterday without a mishap or the loss of a single bird. The drive was made under direction of Will Baker, who, with three assistants, piloted the feathered tribe to a local packery, where they will be transformed into Christmas dinner features within the next few days. It required thirty hours to successfully negotiate the trip, but Baker and his herdsman made it without a bobble. The total weight of the flock was 7,100 pounds, for which was paid 13½¢ per pound, the check in payment thereof amounting to \$961, or slightly over \$1.50 per bird.

### KIT P. JONES DEAD.

Former Citizen of Bryan Died at Anderson.

Relatives and friends in this city were apprised by wire today of the death of Kit P. Jones, which occurred at his home in Anderson yesterday afternoon at 6:45 o'clock. He was about 55 years of age and is survived by his wife and two children. The funeral was held in Anderson this afternoon.

Mr. Jones was for a long time a citizen of Bryan, clerking a number of years for Webb Bros. and later serving the people as county attorney. He and his wife still have many friends here who will deeply regret to learn of his death.

### WALKED TO FAIR, SHOT SELF.

Kansas Girl Who Went West for Her Health Ended Own Life.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 15.—Miss Edith Channel, 23 years old, who walked from Topeka, Kan., to San Francisco to see the exposition, arriving last August, is dead here from a revolver shot through the heart, apparently self-inflicted.

Her body was found last night. Miss Channel made the long walk in search of health, being a sufferer from tuberculosis.

She was recently employed in the exploitation department of the exposition.

## ANOTHER ROBBER GOT 99 YEARS

[By Associated Press.] Dallas, Tex., Dec. 15.—Dave Widenor was sentenced to ninety-nine years for robbery with firearms today. He pleaded guilty yesterday with Frank Kelley.

## POOL HALL LAW AGAIN UPHELD

[By Associated Press.] Austin, Tex., Dec. 15.—The constitutionality of the pool hall law was again upheld by the court of criminal appeals in a case from McLennan County.

## MOST VALUABLE CROP IN HISTORY

Total Value Runs to Five and a Half Billion—Is Far Ahead of Last Year.

### [By Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 15.—The year's principal farm crops were worth \$5,500,000,000 at December prices, according to a department announcement today. The value exceeds last year's more than a half billion and is considered the most valuable in the history of the country.

## DANIELS SAYS SOUTH NEEDS PROTECTION

Cotton Should Be Guaranteed Safe Transportation by Adequate Navy.

### [By Associated Press.]

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 15.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels in a speech here today before the Southern Commercial Congress, declared the South needs the protection of an adequate navy. He said the principal crop—cotton—must largely be sold abroad and in future our merchant marine should be backed up by the navy.

## MEXICAN BANDITS HAD SLICK SCHEME

Filched the Public for a Million Dollars, Claiming to Be Army Officers.

### [By Associated Press.]

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 15.—The authorities in the City of Mexico have arrested thirteen bandits who have swindled the public out of a million dollars by representing themselves to be army officers, according to a cablegram received at the consulate here today.

### WILL MOVE TO WHARTON.

D. C. Buchanan and family of Harvey have arranged to move to Wharton, where Mr. Buchanan will be connected with one of the large plantations near Wharton in the capacity of manager. They will move immediately after Christmas so as to be located and ready for business on Jan. 1.

### BRYAN STREET SIDEWALKS.

Contractor T. B. Hubbard has broken dirt on the new sidewalks to be laid on Bryan street, the plowing being started yesterday afternoon. He reports that part of his material has arrived and more is expected in the next few days. He does not anticipate any delay from this source.

## FORMER LORD CHIEF JUSTICE IS DEAD

### [By Associated Press.]

London, Dec. 15.—Viscount Alverstone, former lord chief justice of England died today.

### GAUSS-WHITE.

A wedding, beautiful in its plan of solemnization and of social interest to many friends, was that of Miss Ethel White and Mr. Phil W. Gauss, which took place Tuesday at 3:15 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. R. J. Roberts, a very few close friends and relatives being present to witness the nuptials.

A pink color motif was chosen for development throughout the decorations and the entire reception suite was fragrant and doubly inviting in a floral adornment of Killarney roses against the green of foliage plants and vine twinnings. Pink baskets tied with deeper colored tulle and filled with the gorgeous blossoms occupied places of vantage every where. The shades were drawn and with the soft lights from the electrolyte, lighted tapers in silver spires and blazing wood fires in the grates, the illumination produced just the softness that lent much to the effectiveness of it all.

The ceremony was performed in the library, where an improvised altar was fashioned of palms and ferns. An arch twined gracefully with plumosa fern and pink satin ribbon was formed, and at each side brass pedestals held pink baskets tied with pink maline and filled with Killarney buds. The arrangement revealed the artistic touch of those who had so lovingly brought about such an adaptation of

floral decoration for this occasion, which was indeed the most profound event in the life of one to whom they are so endeared.

The marriage ceremony was solemnly and impressively pronounced by Rev. M. E. Weaver, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the vows were sealed with the marriage ring. Miss Franchelle Roberts, a niece of the bride, was the only attendant. Costumed in a black velvet coat suit and a picture hat, she advanced in front of the bride and groom, carrying the ring in the heart of a Killarney bud.

The bride wore a navy blue velvet coat suit, fur trimmed, with a flesh colored chiffon and lace blouse.

She wore a corsage bouquet of valley lilies and ferns.

Many beautiful gifts were received from friends, attesting the popularity of the young couple and the sincere good wishes of a host of their loving friends.

The bride is a young lady of culture and charming personality and is beloved by all who know her for her sincere and gracious friendship.

Mr. Gauss was reared in St. Louis, but is now assistant manager of the Texas Oil Company at Port Arthur. He is a young man of unusual business qualities and has been exceedingly successful in his pursuits.

Immediately after the ceremony the young couple, accompanied by relatives, took autos for the Houston & Texas Central station. Here they found a number of dear friends who came to extend heartiest wishes and congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Gauss went to New Orleans, sailing from there to Havana, Cuba, and before returning home will visit in Florida.

### DEATH OF MRS. W. H. WALKER.

Without Warning Death Comes to One of Bryan's Christian Mothers.

Mrs. Alice Walker, widow of the late W. H. Walker, died suddenly at her home in this city at 6:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It was so sudden, so unexpected, the people were slow to realize or believe it, but when it became known and the terrible reality dawned upon them, a pall of sorrow and a feeling of depression settled over all the city. Only twelve days ago her husband was taken and now she has gone on to join him in that land where separations will be known no more. Looking at it in that light, her death is beautiful, a victory, a triumph, but when we think of the sadness it brings to the living, the separation from loved ones, we are overwhelmed with an inexpressible sorrow and brought face to face with the truth that in the midst of life we are in death.

She was in her usual good health and had just concluded a telephone conversation and resumed her seat in front of the fire when the death angel came, and she slept; her spirit had gone home to be with God.

Mrs. Walker was a native of Brazos

County and was born in the Thompson Creek community a few miles west of Bryan Nov. 15, 1856, making her 59 years, one month and two days of age at the time of her death. She was married to Mr. W. H. Walker at Alexander May 30, 1877, and they had lived in the county and in the city of Bryan continuously since.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church and had been a member of that organization since girlhood. During all her years on earth she had lived a beautiful Christian life, doing good wherever opportunity presented and ministering to all who needed help. Such a life is glorious, such a death a beautiful falling asleep in Jesus, a glorious victory.

She is survived by one son, C. G. Walker, one sister, Mrs. E. B. Skains of Franklin, one brother, W. A. McMillan of Calvert, and a half-sister, Mrs. Maggie Holden of Calvert.

The funeral was held from the family home at 4 o'clock this afternoon, with interment in the City Cemetery. Her pastor, Rev. C. T. Tally, conducted the funeral services.

LOST—Black sow and shoat. Sow's mark, both ears cut off. Shoat unmarked. Sow has white stripe between ears and weighs about 200 lbs. Shoat about 60 lbs. Reward, \$2. Mike Weisaski, Route 4.

## "OO-y! My Corn-n!" H-m, Use 'Gets-It'

Then You'll Have No Corns to Bump! Your Corns Will Come "Clean Off," Quick!

Did you ever see a corn peel off after you've used "Gets-It" on it? Well, it's a moving picture for your life! And you hardly do a thing to it.

"Sore Corn Bumped Again! Use 'Gets-It,' Corns Vanish!"



Put a little "Gets-It" on, it dries at once. There's nothing to stick. Put shoes and stockings on right over it. No pain, no fuss, 48 hours—corns gone. "Gets-It" never hurts the true flesh, never makes toes sore. If you have tried almost everything else for corns, you will be much more surprised to see how quickly and easily your corns and calluses will come right off with "Gets-It." Quit limping and wrinking up your face with corn-wrinkles. Try "Gets-It" tonight on this corn, callus, wart or bunion, and you'll be glad you read this.

"Gets-It" is sold by all druggists, 25¢ a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago.

Sold in Bryan and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by M. H. James and the Smith Drug Company.



## John Hancock—"Father of the Revolution"

UPON the Declaration of Independence his name may be read without spectacles. His signature was the first subscribed to the world's most famous State document. In the most realistic sense John Hancock pledged his life and his fortune to the cause of the Revolution. He was one of the richest men in the colonies, holding investments in banks, breweries, stores, hotels, and also owning a fleet of vessels. The seizure of one of these precipitated the Boston massacre. In Revolutionary days and until his death he was a popular idol. When it was proposed to bombard Boston, though it would have resulted in greater personal loss to him than to any other property owner, he begged that no regard be paid to him because of his financial interests. While Hancock did not sign the Constitution of the United States, he used his great influence in its behalf, which awakened the gratitude of Washington. "He was prepossessing in manner, and passionately fond of the elegant pleasures of life, of dancing, music, concerts, routs, assemblies, card parties, rich wines, social dinners and festivities." Until the end of his life the people of Massachusetts loved to honor him. In the stirring events preceding the Revolution he was one of the most influential members of the Sons of Liberty. To this tireless worker for American Independence Liberty was the very breath of life. He would have frowned upon any legislation which would restrict the natural rights of man, and would have voted NO to prohibition enactments. It was upon the tenets of our National Spoken Word that Anheuser-Busch 58 years ago founded their great institution. To-day throughout the length and breadth of the Free Republic their honest brews are famed for quality, purity, mildness and exquisite flavor. Their brand BUDWEISER has daily grown in popularity until 7500 people are daily required to meet the public demand. Its sales exceed any other beer by millions of bottles. ANHEUSER-BUSCH ST. LOUIS, U. S. A.



Visitors to St. Louis are cordially invited to inspect our plant—covers 142 acres.

T. P. Boyett  
Distributor  
Bryan, Tex.

**Budweiser**  
Means Moderation



# MERCHANT HAD EXCITING EXPERIENCE

Threw Lighted Lamp in Burglar's Face, Was Badly Injured and Lost Store and Money.

[By Associated Press.]  
Annona, Tex., Dec. 20.—D. C. Welch threw a lighted lamp into the face of a burglar in his merchandise store today, but was too late. The lamp burned the store, and the burglar escaped with \$250. Welch was badly injured.

## DR. WEAVER HONORED.

Boston Concern Asked to Publish Sermons in Book Form.

The following letter from a publishing house in Boston to Dr. M. E. Weaver of this city is self-explanatory:

Boston, Mass., Nov. 29.—Dear Sir: We have been impressed by an article from your pen in the Baptist Standard, which leads us to suggest the possibility of our bringing out a volume of yours if you have sufficient available material at hand.

Most of our publications are of a religious, philosophical or ethical character, and into this list we believe a volume of yours, judging by what we have read, would very suitably go. We have issued not a few books by prominent members of the Baptist, Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopal and other denominations, as well as by presidents of and professors in various colleges and universities. Copies of recent editions of our catalogues, indicating the character and range of some of our publications, we shall be glad to send you for examination if you so desire.

If you have nothing at hand at the present time to submit to us, and are not likely to have anything available in the near future, will you not kindly drop us just a line to that effect, so that we may dismiss such a possibility from our immediate prospects, as we are now formulating our year's list as rapidly as possible, and wish to lay our plans as far ahead as we can? Hoping, however, that your reply need not be in the negative, believe us, very truly yours,

SHERMAN, FRENCH & CO.

## MADE BIG PROFIT FROM ONE PIG.

Colored Man Profited From Booker T. Washington's Suggestion.

Editor of The Eagle:  
Last spring when Booker T. Washington issued a proclamation that every colored man, and boy in the United States raise a pig, I bought a pig in March and paid \$2.50 for him. He was given the best care and attention and on Nov. 29 I killed him. He netted 298 pounds, made 80 pounds of lard, 40 pounds of sausage meat, 10 lbs. of cracklings and I put up 165 pounds of meat to be cured. It cost, including the price of the pig, \$12.50 to put him in the smoke house. Here is my profit: 165 pounds of meat at 10c per pound, \$16.50; 40 pounds of sausage, at 12c per pound, \$4.80; 80 pounds of lard, at 15c per pound, \$12, which makes a total of \$33.30. The cost was \$12.50 in nine months, which gives me a profit of \$21. This shows what we can do by raising one pig.

ED SCOTT (Colored).

## IMPROVING PARK.

The ladies of the Civic League are still at work in their efforts to improve the Civic Park and make it the beauty spot of Bryan. Their latest move is to purchase twenty jessamine bushes and twenty-four white elm trees from C. C. Kirtley & Son of Cameron and same are being planted under the personal direction of Mr. Kirtley. These additional trees are well selected, as both the jessamine and elm are hardy and when full grown are among the prettiest trees and shrubs that can be found. The Japanese ligustrum trees, the first planted in the park, are growing slowly, but none of them have died, and no doubt after getting a good start their growth will be much better.

## U. D. C. MEETING.

The L. S. Ross Chapter, U. D. C., met Friday at 3 o'clock, Dec. 17, in their club rooms, Carnegie Hall, to hold their December meeting, Mrs. Taliaferro, the president, presiding.

It was decided to contribute \$5 to the memorial fund, which proposes to build a memorial to Jefferson Davis, this memorial to be placed at the Jefferson Davis highway, which passes through this historic spot.

The chapter offers this next year a medal to the Bryan High School for the best paper on Southern history.

Among the other important matters decided at this meeting was the unanimous vote that steps should be taken

to "can" the Rebel yell and a committee was appointed to confer with the veterans on this important point.

Mrs. Cline, the delegate to the state meeting, gave a most interesting resume of the work of that organization, bringing home with her much enthusiasm for the cause.

Mrs. J. W. Cavitt read by request an address given by her brother, Major S. Griffin of Bedford City, Va. This address was given to the veterans at Fredericksburg, Va., this last October and was teeming with interest and life, linking the past with the present. Major Griffin is 76 years old and is grand commander of the Virginia camp.

Three beautiful musical numbers were briefly enjoyed. The complete program was as follows:

Piano (selected), Miss Villa McCalloch.  
Report of delegate, Mrs. W. B. Cline.  
Vocal, Miss Willie Rogers.  
Reading, Mrs. J. W. Cavitt.  
Piano, Miss Frances Mike.

## NOTICE.

To all land owners in Brazos County who have or think they have deposits of gravel or rock, you are hereby notified that the road committee will not deal or buy from promoters, but desire to deal with the land owners direct, to the end that the best interest of the farmer and the road district may be served.

J. T. MALONEY,  
County Judge Brazos County.

## SECOND HOG THEFT CHARGE.

A second complaint for stealing hogs was filed against Coochie Johnson and Life Austin, colored, this morning. The new charge is for stealing hogs from M. F. Dansby. They were arrested last week on a charge of stealing hogs from a negro, and are being held in jail to await an examining trial, which will be given them this week.

## BAPTIST CHURCH OFFICERS.

List of Officers to Serve the Church During 1916.

The officers of the First Baptist Church and the church auxiliaries to serve during 1916 were elected yesterday as follows:

General finance committee, consisting of the board of deacons: W. R. Sanders, chairman; H. O. Boatwright, W. A. Withers, H. H. Newton, J. M. Hare, Tom E. Taylor, Paul F. Keeton, W. S. Howell, Jno. A. Moore and the following laymen: Dr. J. W. Howell, J. Webb Howell, P. S. Park, S. C. Williams, Eugene Edge, E. F. Parks, E. J. Fountain, J. H. Conway, T. R. Batte, W. C. Davis, A. W. Buchanan, J. H. McCullough, J. W. Hunslett, J. B. Saunders, O. P. Hall, Clarence Ousley, S. H. Dunlap, M. H. James, W. S. Wilson, R. B. Grant and Jno. C. Vick.

Chairman subscription committee: H. O. Boatwright.

Chairman of finance committee: Eugene Edge.

Treasurer of church: W. A. Withers.

Assistant treasurer of church: E. F. Parks.

Clerk of church: J. M. Hare.

Assistant clerk of church: H. H. Newton.

Head usher: H. O. Boatwright.

Organist of the church: Mrs. H. O. Boatwright.

Assistant organist of the church: Mrs. Robert S. Webb Sr.

Sunday School Officers.

Superintendent, Jno. A. Moore; assistant superintendent, T. R. Batte; treasurer, Robert Smith; organist, Mrs. W. C. Davis; assistant organist, Miss Annie Belle Batte.

The present teachers of the Sunday school were re-elected to serve during 1916.

Officers of the Ladies' Aid Society.

Mrs. E. H. Astin (re-elected), president; Mrs. E. J. Fountain, vice president; Mrs. A. J. Buchanan (re-elected) recording and corresponding secretary; Mrs. Nannie Williams (re-elected), treasurer.

The Baptist Young People's Union did not elect officers.

# U. S. OFFICER HELD AS GERMAN SPY

Washington, Dec. 20.—Lieutenant Edward Dyer of the United States army in the Philippines, and who is on leave of absence, is reported detained in Singapore as a German spy.

## HAD FINGERS MASHED.

J. A. Blume, a local carpenter, had two fingers of his right hand painfully mashed yesterday while engaged at his trade. The hand was caught between two planks and the ends of the little and the third finger were almost mashed off. The injury was given surgical attention immediately.

# DANIELS BELIEVES IN DREADNAUGHTS

Advocates Increasing Navy Units in Numbers Rather Than Size—Most of Report Secret.

Washington, Dec. 16.—From the lessons of the European war the navy department has reached the conclusion that the "dreadnought," most nearly approaches the ideal as a warship, according to a report sent to congress Tuesday by Secretary of the Navy Daniels. The department, however, recommends a balanced construction program, holding that "it is decidedly better to increase the fighting units in numbers rather than in size."

The report was submitted in reply to a provision of the last naval appropriation bill asking the secretary to inform congress as to "the building of four warships of the type, power and speed which, in the secretary's judgment, based on a knowledge gained from the prevailing war in Europe, are best suited for war on the sea; also to report in the light of that war the value and uses in naval warfare of dirigibles, aeroplanes and submarines."

After reviewing the uses of submarines the secretary said:

"My conclusions are that an adequate number of submarines must be included in any well balanced project of new construction, but that they have not demonstrated that they possess a preponderant value over other requisite types."

"Much of the department's information in regard to the details affecting the efficiency of belligerent ships is in the form of confidential reports which it would be contrary to the public interest to make public in any way. There are, however, several conclusions which can be laid down with confidence as the result of general considerations based on the well-known operations to date."

## Maintains Sea Command.

"The first and most important lesson is that the British grand fleet, composed not only of dreadnoughts and super-dreadnoughts, but also of battle cruisers, light cruisers, destroyers, submarines and auxiliaries, has to date maintained command of the sea, thereby assuring to Great Britain and her allies communication with all parts of the world and reasonably safe overseas transport for her military forces and supplies, at the same time denying similar advantages to her adversaries."

"My reply, therefore, to the single type of warship best suited for war on the sea is that such a vessel must possess in the maximum degree each and all of the four prime requisites mentioned in the naval appropriation act in connection with our battleships which are required to be vessels carrying as heavy armor and as powerful armament as any vessel of their class, to have the highest practicable speed and greatest desirable radius of action."

"Of present and practicable types of vessels the so-called dreadnoughts most nearly approach the ideal aimed at in the clause of the last naval appropriation act."

## Efficient Scout Cruisers.

The report reviewed the activities of the German light cruisers which swept the seas, destroying commerce, as an argument for building up a force of efficient scout cruisers and battle cruisers.

"It is a notable fact," it said, "that in every naval event of consequence which has occurred in the North Sea area, the leading parts have been taken by vessels of the battle cruiser and scout cruiser type, and it is evident that had either side lacked such vessels it would have been at a disadvantage."

On the subject of aeroplanes the report said:

"The value of aircraft can not be more forcibly stated than in the words of a prominent officer of one of the belligerent nations, addressed to the representative assembly to which he is responsible for the conduct of the war."

"It goes without saying, with regard to the proper use of artillery and to reconnaissance work of all kinds, both on sea and on land, that the extended scientific use of aeroplanes has become one of the most rudimentary necessities of every army and navy. Any government would be grossly negligent of its duty if it did not make every effort both to extend the mechanical development of the aeroplane and to secure an adequate supply of well-instructed and well-trained pilots and observers."

## JAMES S. HENRY DEAD.

One of the County's Old Citizens Entered Into Rest.  
James S. Henry, a well known citizen

of the Thompson Creek community, and one of Brazos County's oldest residents, died at his home at 6 o'clock this morning, after an illness of about a week with a severe attack of pleurisy.

Mr. Henry was about 63 years of age and was born and reared in Brazos County, and has made his home in the Thompson Creek community practically all his life. He was a farmer and had also followed the carpenter's trade in Bryan for many years.

He had many friends in Bryan and over the county who express heartfelt sympathy for the relatives and members of the family in their great loss. He was a liberal hearted citizen, a good friend and neighbor, and was ever ready to bestow an act of kindness wherever possible.

He is survived by his wife and four children, two sons, Ivan and William Henry, and two daughters, Mrs. Stella Upright and Mrs. Onie Sanders.

The funeral will be held from the residence tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock and the remains laid to rest in the old Henry graveyard.

## NEW LIGHTS ORDERED.

Ornamental Lights to Convert Main Street Into Great White Way.

Mayor W. W. Harris informed the Eagle today that he had placed an order with the Southwestern Electric Company for fifty-three pressed steel, ornamental one-light poles to be placed along Main street, where the sockets for same were left when the street was paved. Mr. Harris states that a conference with the members of the city council was held by him, and with one or two exceptions they all agreed to the purchase. The poles will cost \$19 each fully equipped, and the charges for installing them will make a total cost of about \$1,050.

An effort was made by the city at the time the street was paved to get the merchants along the street to pay part of the cost of the poles, but the request met with a very indifferent response. The places for the poles were then covered with a concrete covering for protection until such time as the lights were ready to be installed.

The new lights along Main street will help the looks of the street wonderfully, and when installed and the lights burning Bryan will have one of the best lighted Main streets of any city in the state.

# ONLY \$300,000 IS NOW OUTSTANDING

Second Call for Treasury Warrants Within a Week Made—Tax Money Coming In.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 16.—The second call for treasury warrants during the week and the sixth since the state went on a deficiency was announced Wednesday by Treasurer J. M. Edwards. The call includes warrants through number 13,649 and amounts to \$209,000. All warrants issued prior to Dec. 5 are included in the call. At this date approximately \$300,000 is outstanding. The call was made possible by heavy tax collection returns and the payment of the penalties secured by the state against the packing house interests for violation of the anti trust laws.

# POLES TRAINING IN UNITED STATES

The Drilling Is for the Freedom of Poland, or Defense of the United States.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Dec. 16.—Camps for the military training of Poles have been established in various centers throughout the United States, according to Sub. Lieutenant Wacław Stępiński, who commands the camp near Haverstraw, N. Y. The purpose of the drills is to free Poland or defend the United States in war, according to Lieutenant Stępiński, who estimates that 2,000 Poles have been trained, or are in training.

## CUSPIDORS FOR MARKETS.

Dr. R. H. Harrison, county health officer, requests the Eagle to announce that under the state law governing same, the local meat markets will be required in the future to provide cuspidors for their establishments, and that the proprietors will be required to see that no expectorating is done by customers or employees of said places of business on the floors. He will also require all cuspidors to be cleaned daily.

# PASSENGER TRAIN ON K. C. ROBBED

Blew Safe, and Securing Nothing, Rifled Mail Car, Taking Registered Packages.

[By Associated Press.]

Mena, Ark., Dec. 16.—The south-bound passenger train No. 1 of the Kansas City Southern, was held up and robbed today between Engleton and Acorn, Ark. The bandits blew open the safe of the express car, but got nothing there. They then rifled the mail car and got four registered packages.

# TWO TEXAS POSTMASTERS NAMED

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 16.—President Wilson today nominated as postmasters, H. L. Piner at Denison and William A. Fields at Hillsboro.

## MONROE EDGE RESIGNED.

The commission court now in session has received the resignation of Monroe Edge as justice of the peace of Precinct No. 3 of Brazos County, same to take effect immediately. By motion duly carried the resignation was accepted and M. P. Elliott of said precinct was appointed to the office. Mr. Elliott accepted the appointment and has made bond and taken the oath of office.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

James Godine to J. B. Priddy, lots 1 and 2 in block 2 of the Priddy & Lawrence resurvey of the Chew addition to the city of Bryan; consideration \$275.

D. M. and M. F. Dansby to Wilson Bradley et al, lots A and B in James subdivision of lot 5 of Mitchell's addition to the city of Bryan; consideration \$200.

W. H. McMichael to F. M. Wallace, 420 acres of land in the Thomas James league in Brazos County; consideration \$3,500.

don't show up very well in a crowd."  
—Buffalo Express.

## Christmas Here Again!

And finds us with an unusually large stock of goods on hand. I bought these goods right and am going to sell my Christmas stock right. The season finds us with the greatest variety of holiday packages in the well known and famous brands, such as Harper's Rye, Paul Jones, Cold Tea, F. G. Craig, Four-Roses and many other brands of

## Malt, Sour Mash

AND RYE WHISKIES

And all kinds of Wines, American and Imported. I invite the trade of Brazos and surrounding counties to come in and make your purchases. Let me fill your Christmas Jugs.

## The Royal Saloon

Joe Groginski, Prop.

BRYAN, TEXAS

## Holiday Excursion Fares!

STATE AND INTERSTATE VIA

New through Galveston train arriving 9:25 a. m.

Sleepers on night trains to Houston, Waco, Ft. Worth, Austin, Palestine

FOR PARTICULARS SEE

## H. N. SANDALL, Ticket Agt.



FRAMERS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE U. S. A. NO. 3

## The Pinckneys—"Fathers of the Republic"

PERHAPS South Carolina's best gift to this Free Republic was the splendid services of her two great sons—Charles Cotesworth Pinckney and Charles Pinckney. It can truthfully be said of the Pinckneys that their love of honor was greater than their love of power, and deeper than their love of self. One played an important part in the "Louisiana Purchase"—the other, while an envoy to France, was told that the use of money would avert war, and to this replied: "Millions for defense, but not one cent for tribute." Both devoted their eminent abilities toward framing our National Law. The Constitution of the United States, as it stands to-day, was built upon the framework of a plan first proposed by Charles Pinckney. It was he who demanded that it contain freedom of religion, freedom of the press, habeas corpus and trial by jury. In political faith only did these two great men differ. Charles Pinckney was an ardent Democrat, and Charles C. Pinckney a loyal Federalist, and was twice a candidate for President. It is easy to imagine the horror that these two great lovers of Personal Liberty would have expressed if shown the proposed Prohibition Laws of to-day. It is needless to say that if alive they would VOTE NO to such tyrannous encroachments upon the NATURAL RIGHTS OF MAN. The Pinckneys both believed in the moderate use of light wines and barley brews. They also believed in legislation which encouraged the Brewing Industry, because they knew that honest Barley Beer makes for true temperance. For 58 years Anheuser-Busch have been brewers of honest Barley-Malt and Saazer Hop beers—the kind the Pinckneys knew to be good for mankind. To-day their great brand—BUDWEISER—because of its quality, purity, mildness and exquisite flavor, exceeds the sale of any other beer by millions of bottles; 7500 people are daily required to keep pace with the public demand for BUDWEISER.

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## Budweiser

Means Moderation.



## WARSHIPS AND TRANSPORTS ARE NEAR VARNA

**Battleships Are Hammering a Bulgarian Port and Transports Loaded With Troops Are Ready to Enter as Soon as an Opening Is Made. Teutons Are Moving Toward Albania to Forestall Italian Occupation of the Albanian Coast—No Move Yet Against Allies in Macedonia, but Bulgars Are Concentrated on Serbo-Greek Border—Allies Landing More Men and Munitions at Salonica—Germans May Move on Calais and Also Toward Egypt. Turkey Claims to Have Plenty of Food and Other Supplies—Germany Votes Another Large War Credit.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 21.—The Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph says that sixteen transports filled with Russian troops and conveyed by a Russian cruiser and two destroyers, have arrived off the Bulgarian coast and are vigorously bombarding Varna, on the Black Sea, a few miles south of the Rumanian border. It has been reported several times recently the Russians would attempt to invade Bulgaria from the sea.

Durazzo, Albania, is reported to be the latest objective of the Teutonic-Bulgarian drive in the Balkans in an effort to forestall Italian occupation of the Albanian coast.

There is no development yet of a central powers offensive against the allies in Macedonia, but according to a report here, the Bulgarians are entraining along the Serbo-Greek border.

The entente allies are ceaselessly debarking men and munitions at Saloniki.

Paris reports that Germany is preparing for two gigantic strokes, one at Calais and the other toward Egypt.

Everything indicates the central powers will cross the Greek border as soon as they are ready, despite Greece's protest, according to a Saloniki dispatch.

The Turks are reported concentrated in two divisions near the Greek border, while the Teutons are concentrating there daily.

Nothing important is reported from the other war fronts.

**Turkey Has Plenty Food.**  
Berlin, Dec. 21.—Nazim Bey, secretary of the young Turks' committee, told the Associated Press here today that Turkey has abundant foods and war materials, including 30,000,000 kilograms of cotton and 40,000,000 kilograms of copper, which she can supply Germany the moment she solves the transportation problem, and he believes transportation will soon be

## FERGUSON PLEASED WITH EASTERN TRIP

Held Conference With President and With Secretary Garrison on Border Situation.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 21.—Governor Ferguson Monday resumed his official duties as chief executive after having been absent from Texas for three weeks. Lieutenant Governor Hobby, who has been acting governor during the absence of Governor Ferguson, left for his home at Beaumont, accompanied by Mrs. Hobby.

Governor Ferguson visited Chicago, Washington, New York and St. Louis. Governor Ferguson expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the conference he had with President Wilson and Secretary Lansing relative to the Mexican situation and he feels certain that the Mexican situation is now better understood in Washington than heretofore. The governor said that he told the president that General Carranza was fully capable of handling the situation, and that subsequent events in Mexico have clearly demonstrated that his argument was correct.

"I told the president that it was my opinion that Carranza would have Villa shorn of power within thirty days," said Governor Ferguson. "I was pleased today when I read the dispatches that Villa had quit. Information I gathered at Washington was that this government intended to aid Carranza in every way possible."

With reference to his conference with Secretary of War Garrison on the subject of the federal allotment for the Texas National Guard, the governor said it was very satisfactory and encouraging. The government has contended that the shortage in supplies furnished Texas was approximately \$30,000. During the conference Secretary Garrison practically agreed to reduce the amount to \$55,000. A further reduction is looked for.

Asked what decision he would reach in the movement for calling a special session of the legislature to correct errors in the primary election laws, Governor Ferguson said he had the matter under consideration and expected to soon solve the problem. He did not intimate what action he would take.

## ATTEMPT TO BLOW CITY HALL VAULT

Burglar Was Evidently Frightened Away, as He Left His Tools Near the Door of the Vault.

That an attempt to break into the city's vault in the city hall was made within the past few nights was discovered this morning by the negro janitor of the Colonial Theater while cleaning out the box office, which adjoins the vault. A small blacksmith hammer, a blunt iron and another iron instrument used by the burglar, were found in the office and the plaster on the wall between the office and the vault was chipped away. The steel wall had been hit several hard blows at this point, and the man's efforts were then turned to the back office, where he chipped a hole in the wall, and finding himself no nearer to his goal evidently abandoned the job and his tools. There is no clue other than the tools left, but the case has been reported to the officers.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Henry Smith and Mary Jones.  
Sam Williams and Cely Davenport.  
Lewis Andrews and Miss Emma Ducker.  
Jim Morris and Nettie Bell.  
Mitchell Jones and Victoria Turner.

### TWO NEGROES KILLED.

Shooting Affray at Calvert Resulted in Deaths.

Calvert, Tex., Dec. 20.—In a shooting affray here Saturday night two negroes were killed. The dead negroes are Joe Benford and Plunk Davis. Officers here placed Sam and Eric Smith in jail and charged them with the shooting.

Theodore Creeks, a 13-year-old negro boy, was instantly killed from the accidental discharge of a shotgun Saturday afternoon. He was out hunting with two other boys and was walking behind them when the gun was accidentally discharged. The shot tore a large hole in his right shoulder.

## BROOKS RESIGNED AS BAYLOR HEAD

Has Been President of University for Thirteen Years and Is Now a Candidate for the Senate.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 20.—Samuel Palmer Brooks, who has been president of Baylor University for the past thirteen years, has tendered his resignation, effective Jan. 1.

This action is taken so that Dr. Brooks can devote his entire time to his campaign for the United States senate. A meeting of the board of trustees will be held this week, at which time his successor may be appointed. His letter of resignation follows:

Hon. Pat M. Neff, President of the Board of Trustees of Baylor University, Waco, Tex.—Dear Sir and Brother: For thirteen years I have served Baylor University in my present position. It is my pleasure to acknowledge with grateful appreciation the constant and cordial assistance you and your colleagues of the board have rendered me. As is known to you through newspaper announcements, I am now a candidate for the United States senate. In consideration of this fact I hereby tender you my resignation as president of Baylor University to take effect Jan. 1, 1916, or at as early a date thereafter as is possible. Very sincerely,

S. P. BROOKS.

## THRONGS GREETED WILSON AND BRIDE

Drove Immediately to Hotel in Automobile Amid the Applause of Crowds Gathered at the Station.

[By Associated Press.]  
Hot Springs, Va., Dec. 20.—President Wilson and his bride, the former Mrs. Norman Galt, arrived here shortly after 9 o'clock Sunday morning to spend their honeymoon. They were met at the station by a crowd of several hundred people, who applauded as they alighted from their private car.

The couple went immediately to their hotel in an automobile.

Congratulations From Over World.

The distinguished couple upon whom the eyes of the nation turned Saturday night when they were married in Washington, came here to begin their married life in the quiet seclusion of the mountains of the state in which both of them were born.

They were followed here by congratulations from almost every part of the world. Messages of good wishes came from rulers of nations in Europe, presidents of South and Central American countries, governors of states, diplomats, members of the senate and house and justices of the supreme court and from scores of personal friends and relatives.

Many they will answer personally from here.

During the two weeks or more before returning to Washington to take up his official and social duties of the White House, the couple will golf, motor and climb mountains together and as far as possible be protected from the prying eyes of the outside world.

## THIS LETTER 45 YEARS IN REACHING ITS DESTINATION.

Written by Rev. Samuel Ward the Day He Cast His Ballot for Lincoln.

[By Associated Press.]  
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 20.—A letter written by Rev. Samuel Ward of Neoga, Ill., Nov. 6, 1860, the day he cast his ballot for "good Abe Lincoln," was received through the mails here yesterday by Prof. W. D. Ward of Occidental College, a son of H. O. Ward of Zanesville, Ohio, the man to whom it was addressed. Where the letter went after it was mailed will remain a mystery.

The next postmark after that of Neoga in 1860 is that of College Station, N. Y., Aug. 23, 1910. The letter reached Zanesville last October and after search had been made for the addressee, was forwarded here to Professor Ward, who lacks three days of being as old as the letter.

A lunch room on Duane street has solved the problem of the high cost of living. It advertises "Combination Breakfast and Supper—25c."—New York Evening Sun.

## DARDANELLES CONTEST MAY BE ABANDONED

**Withdrawal of British Troops From Gallipoli Looks Like an Abandonment of the Dardanelles Campaign—Bombs from a German Aeroplane Narrowly Missed the King and Queen of Belgium—Government Won in Greek Elections—British Monitors Shelled Belgium—Bulgars and Greeks Reported Skirmishing on Greek Border.**

**Shift British Troops.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 20.—The British troops were withdrawn from the Suvla and Anzac districts of Gallipoli Peninsula in the Dardanelles. The official announcement says they were "successfully transferred, with insignificant casualties to another sphere of operations."

The forces withdrawn from Gallipoli number 100,000. The war office did not say whether the entire Dardanelles campaign was being abandoned or whether the troops at the tip of the peninsula will remain.

The French announce the abandonment of a trench captured from the Germans a week ago.

### Narrowly Missed Crowned Heads.

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 20.—Bombs recently dropped by German aeroplanes fell only a few yards from the king and

queen of Belgium while returning from church at a fishing village.

### Government Wins Greek Elections.

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 20.—The Greek elections are peaceful and resulted in a large majority for the government party. Venizelos' supporters largely refrained from voting.

### Monitors Shelled Belgium.

[By Associated Press.]  
Berlin, Dec. 20, 1915.—The entente monitors shelled the west end of Belgium yesterday, but the land batteries drove them away. German aviators attacked an allied troop camp at Poperinghe, near Ypres.

### Greeks and Bulgars Clash.

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 20.—The Greeks and Bulgarians are reported skirmishing on the Greek frontier.

## TWO MILLION FOR TEXAS CAMPAIGN

A. and M. College Official Returned From Washington, Where He Held Conference on Appropriation.

Texas probably will fare well in the federal appropriations for the fight against citrus canker, according to E. J. Kyle, dean of the school of agriculture and professor of horticulture at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, who returned Friday from Washington. Dean Kyle went to the capital to direct the fight being made there for an appropriation with which to stamp out citrus canker in the coast state.

Congress was asked to appropriate \$4,000,000 for this work. Citrus growers from Texas, Florida and other states affected appeared before a conference of administrative officials at Washington, among them Dr. Houston, secretary of agriculture. Little hope for the appropriation sought was held out at this conference, according to Dean Kyle, but at a conference later with Dr. Houston, the secretary of agriculture seemed much impressed by the need of funds for the fight, said Mr. Kyle.

### Matter Given to Committee.

"The matter was referred directly to the appropriations committee, as an emergency measure. The committee will be directed largely by the recommendations of Dr. Houston and that makes me hopeful that we will fare well at their hands," said Dean Kyle. "If the federal government is to be liberal in its appropriations for this fight the state governments will have to be equally liberal. The Washington officials say the fight must be a co-operative one."

"The citrus growers who were present are not asking for more than they deserve. The only way to combat the canker is to destroy all the trees, both infected trees and healthy trees. We are not asking that the grower be paid for the destruction of his diseased trees, but simply that he be paid a fair price for all healthy trees destroyed."

**Expect to Get About \$2,000,000.**  
Texas expects to receive approximately \$2,000,000 for the fight in this state.

With Dean Kyle at Washington were Ed L. Ayres, plant pathologist in the state department of agriculture, and a number of citrus growers. Congressmen Young, Calloway, and Sumners attended the conference and assisted in the campaign for the appropriations.

"Unless we get sufficient funds with which to carry on the fight the citrus business in America is doomed. Florida citrus growers are in bad shape and Texas owners are in little better condition," said Dean Kyle.

## FATHER ARRESTED FOR GIRL'S DEATH

Strongly Protested Innocence, but Was Spirited Away to Greenville for Safe Keeping.

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Tex., Dec. 20.—T. R. Walton, 46 years of age, father of Miss Pauline Walton, the 17-year-old girl murdered in bed Saturday morning, was arrested early today and spirited away from Paris on a southbound train for fear of mob violence.

Walton protested his innocence. He was formally charged with the girl's murder. The physicians' examination showed evidence that the girl may have been attacked before she was killed. A man's derby hat was found outside the house and foot prints were on the earth and on the window sill of her brother's room, but her own window screen was nailed down. The neighbors declare the father's actions toward the girl were suspicious.

### Taken to Greenville.

[By Associated Press.]  
Greenville, Tex., Dec. 20.—T. R. Walton was brought here for safe keeping.

## UNITED STATES TO GIVE VILLA ASYLUM

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 20.—The state department has decided to give Villa an asylum as a political refugee if he enters the United States.

Reliable information here states that final arrangements for Villa's entry into the United States will be made possible this afternoon.

## PEACE RESTORED IN NORTHERN MEXICO

Carranza and Villa Representatives Signed Peace Agreement Today in El Paso.

[By Associated Press.]  
El Paso, Tex., Dec. 20.—(Bulletin)—Papers were signed here at noon today whereby the Villa faction in North Mexico agrees to conclude peace with Carranza. Villa is reported to be in Juarez. The Mexican consul here and former Villa lieutenants represented Villa at the conference.

## MARLIN BANKER WAS FOUND DEAD

Was in His Back Yard With Gun Lying Near—Had Been in Bad Health.

[By Associated Press.]  
Marlin, Tex., Dec. 21.—The body of B. C. Clark, banker, was found in his back yard this morning with a shot in the chest and a gun lying by his side. He had been in ill health for some time.

## FAMILY PERISHED IN BURNING HOME

Foul Play Suspected, Following Blaze Which Destroyed Home of John Maye Monday.

[By Associated Press.]  
Yorktown, Tex., Dec. 21.—At 3:30 a. m., John Maye and wife, one son, 15 years old, two daughters, aged 10 and 12 years and infant were burned to death with their home, five miles from here.

Officers are searching the country and bloodhounds are on the trail, foul play being suspected.

## NEGRO INTRUDER KILLED BY POSSE

Entered Home of Charlie Hill at Waldrip a Week Ago and Seriously Injured Mr. Hill.

[By Associated Press.]  
Brady, Tex., Dec. 21.—A negro believed to be Otis Haywood, wanted for entering the home of Charlie Hill at Waldrip last week and who later seriously wounded Mr. Hill, was killed at a ranch house on the Colorado River last night by a posse.

## RIOTING BROKE OUT IN JUAREZ

Street Car Stoned and Passengers Robbed—Some Stores Closed, Others Looted.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 21.—Rioting began in Juarez at noon today when a street car was stoned at the international bridge, and the passengers, including a number of Americans, were robbed. The car finally escaped back to El Paso. Several Juarez stores were closed and others were looted.



# WASHINGTON AWAITING THE OFFICIAL MESSAGE

**The Unofficial Report of Austria's Answer Received at Washington Is Disappointing and Unacceptable—The Diplomatic Relations Between the Two Countries Are Plainly at the Breaking Point—Austria Wants the Details of Our Complaint and Also Wants to Open Long Diplomatic Negotiations, to All of Which Washington Will Not Agree—Wilson and Lansing Reserve Comment Until the Official Reply Is Received—Serbian King to Take Refuge in Italy—Turks and Germans to Attack Suez Canal and Egypt—Bulgars and Greeks Form Neutral Zone.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 16.—Austria's reply to Secretary of State Lansing's note on the sinking of the Ancona is regarded, on the basis of the unofficial reports received today from London and Amsterdam, as wholly unsatisfactory, unacceptable and disappointing to the United States.

The diplomatic relations between the two countries may safely be described as at the breaking point.

President Wilson and Secretary Lansing are reserving comment until they receive the official text.

The reply, according to unofficial reports, expresses a desire to take up diplomatic negotiations regarding the Ancona case and asks for details of the complaint on which the United States based its note.

High state department officials today declared the United States will reject any proposal to start long negotiations.

Vienna advices today say that the tension there has lessened since the dispatch of the reply to America.

**Statement From London.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 16.—The text of the Austro-Hungarian reply to the American demands in the Ancona case, summarized, asks that the United States give the details of the complaint and denies that it is the duty of Austria to regard the Lusitania case as a precedent for a reply and offers to open negotiations to reach a settlement of the controversy.

## FOSTER'S WEATHER BULLETIN.

(Copyrighted, 1915, by W. T. Foster.)  
Washington, Dec. 18.—Last bulletin gave forecasts of disturbance to cross continent Dec. 18 to 22, warm wave Dec. 17 to 21, cool wave Dec. 20 to 24. This will cause some increase of precipitation, particularly in Eastern sections, but this precipitation month—Dec. 12 to Jan. 10—is expected to be deficient in moisture, particularly east of the Rockies. This storm will be of moderate force on Pacific slope, but will increase as it moves eastward, beginning a dangerous storm out on the Atlantic about Dec. 24. Bad time to be on the Atlantic Ocean.

The next disturbance will reach the Pacific coast about Dec. 23, cross Pacific slope by close of Dec. 24, great central valleys Dec. 25 to 27, eastern sections Dec. 28. Warm wave will cross the Pacific slope about Dec. 23, central valleys Dec. 25, eastern sections Dec. 27. Cool wave will cross Pacific slope about Dec. 26, central valleys Dec. 28, eastern section Dec. 30.

This will be a severe winter storm from the Pacific to the Atlantic, with heavy snows in northern parts of Pacific slope and the Rockies and less precipitation east of the Rockies. Bad weather for unsheltered live stock and not a good time for humans to be out of doors.

Another disturbance will reach the Pacific coast about Dec. 28, cross the Pacific slope by the close of Dec. 29, central valleys Dec. 30 to Jan. 1, eastern sections Jan. 2. Warm wave will cross the Pacific slope about Dec. 28, central valleys Dec. 30, eastern sections Jan. 1. Cool wave will cross the Pacific slope about Dec. 31, central valleys Jan. 2, eastern section Jan. 4.

This will be about an average storm for this month, but we are now at the beginning of the great storm year of 1916 and the storm forces will continually be of greater intensity than the average for many years. Out on the North Atlantic this will be a severe storm about Jan. 4.

Indications are that January will average warmer than usual, but great

**Serbian King to Italy.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Dec. 16.—King Peter of Serbia will take refuge in Italy, according to a Rome dispatch, which says the king has accepted Italy's offer of a palace at Caserta, near Naples.

**To Attack Suez Canal.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
London, England, Dec. 16.—A Turkish campaign against the Suez Canal and Egypt is reported to be in preparation, says a dispatch from Rome. Three hundred thousand Turkish troops are already said to have been concentrated for the aggression.

Turkish gains against the British at Sud-EI-Amara in Mesopotamia is reported from Constantinople.

The allied forces of 200,000 now concentrated at Saloniki are not expecting a Bulgarian attack, according to the best information.

**May Not Fill Vacancies.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 16.—The kaiser may not send successors to Boy-Ed and Von Papen, recalled military and naval attaches until after the war, according to reliable information received today. The belief is expressed in Berlin that they would be the subject of criticism as successors.

**Formed Neutral Zone.**  
[By Associated Press.]  
Sofia, Dec. 16.—A neutral zone two kilometers wide on each side of the boundary has been agreed on between Greece and Bulgaria, according to official announcement made today.

er extremes are expected. The weeks centering on Jan. 5 and Jan. 20 are expected to average usually warm, the week centering on Jan. 12 colder than usual and the week centering on Jan. 27 excessively cold. Most severe storms during weeks centering on Jan. 5, 20 and 29. The precipitation month will change from dry to wet east of the Rockies about Jan. 10, but the wet will continue east of the Rockies and in South America. Severe cold waves are expected not far from Jan. 20 and 25.

Professor Bigelow, ten years a professor of meteorology in the United States weather bureau and now occupying a similar position in Argentina, has published an important volume giving many facts in regard to weather matters. Had he taken up planetary meteorology he would have been greatly benefited. Strong men are needed in the work, but the opposition of those who occupy cushioned chairs in the government service requires very great courage besides very great ability and Bigelow has not the courage. The orthodox leaders are lambasting him now because of his advanced ideas. In scientific matters we need more of those strong elements that have developed in America from the descendants of the Norman-French.

Planetary meteorology will win, but it is much in need of assistance from strong minds and from financial assistance. It is the most important and the most difficult of all scientific matters or subjects.

## ENGINEERING WORK IS PROGRESSING.

A. McCormick of the firm of Abney & McCormick, engineers, employed to do the engineering work on the Brazos County good roads, reports they have completed about 60 per cent of the field work on the surveys of the rural roads. Some of the roads have been completed, but others have just been started. He states that they expect to be through with the preliminary surveys within the next two or three weeks.

## BRAZOS COUNTY CLAIM DOCKET

**Bills Paid by Commissioners' Court Against Brazos County for Past Month.**

Following are the claims against the county allowed by the commissioners' court during their last session, which was adjourned Thursday afternoon:

John W. Hicks, dragging road, \$10.  
J. E. Brown, part salary, \$25.  
Ann McWhorter, pauper, \$2.  
R. M. Dansby, rebuilding bridge, \$10.  
Ellen Wilson, pauper, \$3.  
W. A. Hudson, care of Mrs. Thomas, \$3.90.  
M. B. Easters, eight days per diem, \$24.  
J. M. Atkins, eight days per diem, \$24.  
J. J. Cahill, 14 days per diem, \$42.  
J. W. Hamilton, eight days per diem, \$24.  
J. T. Maloney, six days per diem, \$18.  
Reddin Andrews, six days work on roads, \$7.50.  
J. M. Atkins, nine days supervising, \$27.  
J. J. Cahill, fifteen days supervising, \$45.  
J. W. Hamilton, two days supervising, \$6.  
George Griffin, pauper, \$3.  
Wright Watts, pauper, \$2.  
W. B. English, groceries, \$108.  
Andy Houston, pauper, \$2.  
Hy Byers, pauper, \$3.  
Mrs. Laura Webb, pauper, \$5.  
Cologero Burrochio, pauper, \$2.50.  
H. O. Jones, plat T. S. Haynes, survey, \$10.  
Reddin Andrews, work on road, \$7.50.  
W. S. Higgs et al, causes 4428-4503, \$25.25.  
G. Stuckey, dragging road, \$5.  
E. B. Holland, work on road, \$4.  
Joe Hall, pauper, \$2.  
Horace Jefferson, pauper, \$2.50.  
I. & G. N. Railroad, demurrage at College, \$12.  
Geo. P. Edge, auto hire, \$7.  
M. Rembert, auto hire, \$10.  
J. L. Cobb, dragging road, \$10.  
Joe Lloyd, building bridge, \$47.50.  
Lee Josey, dragging road, \$15.  
Leodora Correa, corn, \$15.  
H. & T. C. Railroad, freight, \$2.  
T. S. Hill, road and bridge work, \$10.  
John Regmund, land for road, \$191.  
J. Sidney Smith, assessing taxes, \$159.  
J. W. Barron, ex-officio, \$25.  
H. O. Jones, plat F. Quota survey, \$10.  
W. A. Hudson, care Mrs. Thomas, \$3.95.  
Red Andrews, work on road, \$7.50.  
C. S. Jones, work on road, \$5.  
N. L. Outlaw, hauling lumber, \$3.  
H. P. Dansby, school board, \$9.  
W. R. Parker, school board, \$9.  
J. W. Hicks, school board, \$6.  
R. O. Allen, school board, \$9.  
W. E. Graham, school board, \$15.  
J. T. Newcomb, one day justice court juror, 50c.  
J. B. Sanders, one day justice court juror, 50c.  
Miss Mary Locke, demonstration work, \$37.50.  
Bryan Telephone Company, phone rents, \$8.69.  
Mrs. Lee Howard, pauper, \$3.  
H. O. Jones, plots surveys 142 and 190, \$5.  
B. H. Head, road work, \$6.40.  
R. H. Harrison, professional services, \$91.75.  
City of Bryan, fines worked on road, \$33.  
W. J. Christian, repair work, \$2.85.  
Don Armstrong, pauper, \$2.  
T. C. Nunn, fifty-four days with county and district courts, \$108.  
T. C. Nunn, county court vacation, \$18.  
T. C. Nunn, feeding prisoners, \$472.60.  
T. C. Nunn, ex-officio, \$41.65.  
M. B. Easters, four days supervising, \$12.  
C. A. Buchanan, corn, \$228.73.  
A. B. Carson, engineering, \$169.17.  
Miss Lizzie Slaughter, pauper, \$7.50.  
Fritz Kohler, salary, \$50.  
J. E. Brown, balance salary, \$50.  
S. S. Clay, burying pauper, \$12.50.  
W. P. Nedbalek, blacksmithing, \$7.50.  
V. C. Parker, salary, \$65.  
Fred Doberesky, salary, \$20.  
A. McKenzie, care of clock, \$2.50.  
W. J. Coulter Company, dry goods, \$5.05.  
Mary Randle, pauper, \$2.50.  
Alex Lewis, pauper, \$2.50.  
Arseno Carson and wife, \$5.  
W. S. Higgs, ex-officio, \$54.15.  
J. T. Maloney, ex-officio, \$125.  
Western Union, telegrams, \$1.44.  
Mrs. Laura Webb, pauper, \$5.  
Joe Uricha, pauper, \$2.50.  
Brooks Pruett, pauper, \$2.  
Chas. Shultz, hauling lumber, \$16.50.  
W. R. Ball, dragging road, \$20.  
J. W. Mathis, road work, \$17.50.  
J. L. Robinson, road work, \$30.  
Nancy Johnson, pauper, \$6.  
C. H. Pollard, district court stenographer, \$35.71.  
A. W. Buchanan, farm demonstration, \$66.67.  
W. A. Hudson, care of Mrs. Hudson, \$2.10.  
J. J. Holland, land for road, \$40.  
W. G. Reynolds, mules, \$130.  
W. E. Saunders, dry goods, \$3.50.  
J. E. Brown, part salary, \$15.  
H. Byers, pauper, \$3.  
W. E. Saunders, groceries, \$20.65.  
W. F. Odom, merchandise, \$8.20.  
L. L. Stephens, one day justice court juror, 50c.  
John Winter, justice court juror one day, 50c.  
R. S. Mawhinney, one day justice court juror, 50c.  
W. B. English, groceries, \$114.85.  
W. H. McVey, road work, \$10.  
A. McKenzie, clock repairs, \$24.15.  
Mrs. Lee Howard, pauper, \$3.  
Bryan Telephone Company, telephone service, \$8.43.  
Jesse Gammon, one day justice court juror, 50c.  
Bill Randle, road work, \$3.  
M. W. Sims, road work, \$17.50.  
G. Stuckey, road work, \$5.  
Lee Josey, road work, \$10.  
W. S. Higgs et al, causes No. 4561-4569, \$20.75.  
Geo. Griffin, pauper, \$3.  
Thomas Perry, pauper, \$3.  
Don Armstrong, pauper, \$2.  
W. A. Hudson, care of Mrs. Thomas, \$2.10.  
E. F. Park & Co., harness, \$12.20.  
Eagle Printing Company, printing, \$10.50.  
Goree Neeley, drugs, 60c.  
The Frank Shepard Company, books, \$5.  
Reed Brothers, groceries, \$4.  
Cole Hardware Company, hardware, \$19.20.  
J. F. Grant Company, lumber, \$9.60.  
Eugene Edge, dry goods, \$13.55.  
J. T. Hanway, repairs, \$1.  
Johnson & Rohde, three auto trips, \$9.25.  
Gulf Refining Company, oil, \$17.92.  
Globe Dry Goods, dry goods, \$18.45.  
W. T. James, furniture, etc., \$34.50.  
Austin, Bros., repairs, \$10.  
West Publishing Company, Southwest Reporter, \$9.  
Cologero Salvato, merchandise, \$1.  
City of Bryan, water and lights, \$32.10.  
Pierce Fordyce Oil Company, oil, \$22.84.  
Tyler Haswell, stationery, \$1.  
Levy Bros., bedding, \$7.50.  
Parker-Astin Hardware Company, hardware, \$12.  
C. H. Moehlman, repairs, \$7.95.  
Eden Gin Company, coal, \$36.40.  
Myers Hardware Company, hardware, \$7.30.  
J. J. Ray, road work, \$7.50.  
G. S. Parker, lumber, \$66.44.  
Hillyer-Deutch, lumber, \$65.65.

## RETIREES FROM THE EAGLE.

**Mr. M. E. Wallace Will Engage in Business for Himself Jan. 1.**  
After eighteen years' connection with the Eagle, M. E. Wallace voluntarily retires as manager, effective January 1 and will engage in the printing business in Bryan under the name of the Wallace Printing Company. He will conduct a general line of printing, featuring high-class work, ruling and bookbinding.

The plant formerly known as the Sun Company was absorbed and together with a quantity of new material, including presses, etc., will constitute the new plant. A new location on the ground floor will be established. The former proprietor, Mr. Miller, will be employed by the new firm in the mechanical department.

Mr. Wallace's connection with the Eagle dates back to the firm of Connelly, Palmer & Carnes, who established the daily edition of the Eagle, the first daily paper published in Bryan.

Mr. Wallace leaves the Eagle voluntarily without any friction or ill feeling, and the most cordial relations prevail between him and the directors and officials of the Eagle Printing Company. He is a thorough printer, an all round newspaper man, affable in manner and thoroughly identified with the city and its interests.

He takes with him into his new enterprise the hearty good wishes of the Eagle for that full measure of success justified by his capabilities and energy. He will continue with the Eagle as manager until Jan. 1.

## NEGRO BURGLAR CAUGHT.

**Had on Stolen Clothes—Confessed to Sebesta Burglary.**

Clem Owens, colored, was arrested Saturday afternoon and lodged in the county jail by Deputy Marshal Worley and charged with burglarizing the store of Jno. M. Sebesta on Main street several weeks ago. Owens was wearing a suit of clothes that was recognized as one having been stolen from the store. He was taken to the store by Officer Worley to let the proprietor identify the clothes, and while being questioned made an effort to get away, but was caught before he could get out of the rear door. He is reported to have then confessed to the burglary and says he

was locked in the store at night when the business was closed. His home was searched and the major portion of the goods stolen were found.

City Marshal Conlee and Deputy Worley had had Owens under observation for some days and decided on the arrest Saturday. Immediately after the negro's confession these two officers went to his home together where the goods were recovered.

## COL. OUSLEY ON SAFE FARMING

**Says All Cotton Plan Is a Gamble and Urges Farmers Not to Drop Back to Old Plan.**

The South fed herself in 1915 and as a consequence produced a small cotton crop which sold at satisfactory prices. A big crop the year before sold at poor prices, and, without feed or food, put Texas in the hole. We had the same war in 1914 as in 1915, and we are likely to have it for a year longer. The difference in results is the difference between food-feed-cotton farming and all-cotton farming.

The man who relies upon all-cotton farming in 1916 is speculating on weather, boll weevil and war. That's a desperate chance. The man who relies upon food and feed crops for his sustenance and makes cotton his surplus will have something for paying debts, or for accumulation, whether cotton sells for 15c or 5c.

The cotton crop of 1915 was fully five million bales less than the crop of 1914, and it proved to be all that the world would buy at profitable prices. If the war continues there will not be demand for any more cotton than was produced in 1915; industry will not become normal for many months.

Food-feed-cotton farming is safe farming. All-cotton farming is a gamble. Don't gamble.

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# TOUCHED EUROPE FIRST AT KIRKWALL ENGLAND

**Henry Ford and His Peace Promoters Are on the Other Side and the World Will Await With Interest Their work—Greece Denies That the Bulgarians Crossed the Line and Entered Greek Territory—Report That Allies' Lines Were Cut Not Confirmed—Turks Claim Advantages in Mesopotamia—The Sinking of a German Submarine and Turkish Torpedo Boat Was Reported—Greek Socialists Want Intervention in the War—Germans Wing Four Allied Aeroplanes.**

[By Associated Press.]  
Kirkwall, England, Dec. 15.—The steamship Oscar II, bearing the Ford peace party, reached here today. This means the ship is being detained for investigation by England.

## BULGARS DID NOT CROSS.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 15.—The Bulgarians are definitely declared to have stopped the pursuit of the allies short of the Greek boundary, according to the official Greek statement, which denies Tuesday reports that the Bulgarians had crossed the line.

Unofficial accounts of the allies' retreat fail to confirm the reports that the allies' lines were cut in two by the Bulgarians.

The Turks still claim the advantage in the fighting with the British in Mesopotamia.

The sinking of a German submarine off Varna, and of a Turkish torpedo boat by the British in the Sea of Marmora was reported today. The report that the Turkish cruiser Sultan Celim had been sunk was not confirmed.

The Greek socialists are for intervention, says an Athens dispatch.

Berlin claims the Germans brought down four allied aeroplanes in France today.

## Favorable Austrian Note Expected.

[By Associated Press.]  
Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 15.—It is generally believed in Vienna that Austria will give the United States satisfaction and pay indemnity for the loss of American citizens' lives when the Ancona was sunk by a submarine, according to a dispatch received here. The American note created a profound impression in the Austrian government and political circles, says the dispatch, and is resented by the minority.

## Grecian King Ill.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 15.—King Constantine of Greece has influenza of a mild form, with symptoms of fever, says an Athens dispatch today. Complete rest is recommended.

## To Have Safe Conduct.

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 15.—The British embassy today was authorized by England to issue safe conduct home to Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen, recently recalled by the German government.

## Took Half of Loan.

[By Associated Press.]  
New York, Dec. 15.—Sixty per cent of the Anglo-French half billion dollar loan has been taken for investment, it was announced today.

# AUSTRIA REFUSED ALL U. S. DEMANDS

Did Not Accede to Single Request  
Relations of Two Countries at  
Breaking Point.

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 15.—Secretary Lansing announced that the Austrian reply did not accede to any of the American demands.

The meaning of the Austrian reply, Mr. Lansing said, which appeared to be somewhat vague in the unofficial version, was clear in the translation of the original text. It was perfectly plain, he added, that none of the American demands was acceded to. Further than this, Mr. Lansing would not discuss the reply.

Austria's reply to Secretary Lansing's note on the Ancona, received during the night, was laid Friday before President Wilson and the cabinet and discussed more than an hour. The gravity of the situation caused by Austria's rejoinder to the American demands, which is considered evasive and unacceptable, remained unchanged when the meeting ended.

The next step will not be decided upon until some minor points not clear in the official text are checked up. The apparent discrepancies are not important and may be due to transmission or translation from the state department code, but they will be cleared up before another move is made.

# AUSTRIA'S NOTE IS INSULTING

If American Charges Were True Be  
No Cause to Censure Submarine  
Commander.

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 18.—The official text of Austria's reply to the American Ancona note today reveals that Austria denies that the American charges, even if true, warrant attaching blame to either the submarine commander or the Austrian government. Reply otherwise confirms the unofficial version in Thursday's dispatch.

# FOOD TO GERMANS BY AMERICAN MAIL

British Officials in London Said Matter  
Was Being Taken Up With  
Ambassador.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 17.—"Considerable quantities of food are being sent to Germany by parcel post from America and we are in communication with our ambassador in Washington on the subject," Lord Robert Cecil, parliamentary under secretary for foreign affairs informed the house of commons Thursday in reply to certain questions.

The under secretary added that other steps had been taken to deal with the matter effectively. He said it would not be convenient to specify what instructions had been given to the navy.

The citizens' committee for food to Germany and Austria announced in New York last week it had delivered to the United States postoffice its first package of food, consisting of condensed milk, rice and lard, to be shipped as first class mail. These parcels, the committee said, were for starving children in Germany and Austria.

## DIPPING VAT PLANS READY.

The dipping vat to be built on the county poor farm, we are informed by M. F. Dansby, one of the promoters, will be begun next week. The plans and specifications have been perfected and are now ready for the work. Other promoters of the project are Messrs. Cloud and Nicol, W. I. McCulloch and R. H. Harrison. Permission to build same on the county farm was secured from the commissioners' court and after the vat is paid for it will be run as a public institution.

# FATAL AUTO WRECK AT SAN ANGELO

San Angelo, Tex., Dec. 18.—Allan Scoggin was killed and John Cawley mortally injured when their automobile turned over near here last night. Three other boys were bruised.

# WILL SETTLE ALL TITANIC LOSSES

Announcement of Settlement Basis  
Was Given in New York, Americans  
Receiving Largest Share.

[By Associated Press.]  
New York, Dec. 18.—The White Star line has agreed to pay \$66,400 in settlement of all claims arising from the sinking of the Titanic on April 15, 1912, when more than fifteen hundred persons were drowned, agents of the line announced Friday.

Of the amount about \$500,000 will be distributed among American claimants, \$50,000 to British claimants and \$114,000 will be required for interest and expenses in connection with the numerous suits.

The agreement must be acted upon by Dec. 30 to become operative. A committee representing sixty Americans who had filed claims against the company fixed the total claims at \$2,500,000. Forty-four of the sixty are said to have accepted the company's offer of approximately 20 per cent of their claims.

Cases not settled by agreement will be continued in the courts.

## WRESTLING BOUT A DRAW.

The wrestling match at the Old Moose Hall last night between O. L. Strickland of this city and "Peewee" Fannin of Rockdale was one of the best amateur matches ever seen in Bryan. Strickland won the first fall after forty-seven minutes of wrestling. The match was called off after the contestants wrestled sixty-seven minutes after the second start, without either having secured a fall. The first fall was gained by a double armlock. Strickland had the edge on his opponent in science and was somewhat better physically, but the defensive work of Fannin was of a high order and pulled him out of several hard places.

A very good crowd was present and much enthusiasm was manifested. The match was refereed by C. E. Braswell, and John Daly Jr. was timekeeper. Fannin has returned to his home in Rockdale.

## 600 HORSES WERE DROWNED.

Many Texas Animals on Board Barge  
That Sunk.

[By Associated Press.]  
New York, Dec. 18.—Nearly six hundred horses, most of them raised in Texas, valued at an average of \$200 each and consigned to Brest, France, for the use of allied armies, were drowned in the North River this afternoon when a barge sprang a leak and sank. The animals were to be transferred to the steamer Anglo-Californian for transportation to France. The barge went to the bottom soon after the loading of the animals on the steamer had begun.

## AUTOMOBILE SALES.

Johnson & Rohde report automobile sales during the past two months as follows:

Mrs. E. H. Seale of Benchley, a seven-passenger, six-cylinder Studebaker touring car, and the following have purchased Fords: W. L. Surovik of Caldwell, John Bodeker of Chrisman, Thos. G. Gilley of Caldwell, J. M. Woods of Somerville, Louis Wermelskirchen of College Station, Joe F. Vykukol of Caldwell, E. H. Astin of Bryan, Wichita Mill and Elevator Company by Ed S. Martin of Bryan, C. A. Buchanan of Bryan and Meredith Hunter of Steele's store.

## OFFICERS ARE VIGILANT.

According to information from Sheriff Nunn, no further developments have been made in the recent burglary cases and the officers have been unable to apprehend any of the night prowlers. Additional men have been added to the city's and county's peace officer forces and a vigilant watch has been kept over the entire city for some time, but the burglars are evidently too wise, as no further efforts have been made to burglarize any of the stores or houses during the past week.

# MOUNT ETNA IN STATE OF ERUPTION

[By Associated Press.]  
Catania, Sicily, Dec. 18.—Mount Etna is emitting red hot lava, which is streaming down the mountain side and melting the snow. An umbrella-shaped cloud of fire and smoke is seen nightly.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Erich Seeman and Julia Pasler.  
Caesar Holston and Maddie May Smoths.  
Enoch Galner and Emma Paynes.  
George Phillips and Rosa Wynne.

# YOUNG LADY FOUND WITH THROAT CUT

[By Associated Press.]  
Paris, Tex., Dec. 18.—The body of Miss Pauline Walton, 17 years old, was found at her home with her throat cut from ear to ear early today. Two persons are under surveillance, though no arrests have been made.

## GOOD PROFIT IN TURKEYS.

Farmer Who Gave Note for \$9.50 Had  
\$80 Yield.

Goliad, Tex., Dec. 17.—Saturday turkeys were bringing 12c, and up to date about 12,000 have been slaughtered at the local plant.

Twelve thousand turkeys, averaging ten pounds each, sold at 12c per pound, would amount to \$14,400, all this money paid out here in a very short time. Last spring a local firm offered to sell any reputable farmer who desired to enter the turkey business six hens and one gobbler and take his note for the amount payable Dec. 1. Many took advantage of the same. One farmer this week paid his note of \$9.50, having cashed a turkey check for \$80, besides having some left for his family's use and a good start for another year.

# SEVEN KILLED WHEN CAR TOOK PLUNGE

[By Associated Press.]  
Spokane, Wash., Dec. 18.—Seven persons were killed and ten injured today here when a street car plunged through a bridge into the Spokane River.

## CHEMICAL NO. 2 MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of Chemical Company No. 2 of the Bryan fire department was held in the fire station last night with a number of the members present.

A motion was made and carried that a payment of \$200 be made on the company's automobile fire truck.

By motion the company donated \$10 to the Christmas fund of the Knights of Pythias Lodge of this city. The meeting was then adjourned.

# COUNTRY BEING OVERRUN AND MANY TOWNS TAKEN

**Austrian and Teutonic Forces Are Invading Montenegro and That Country Is Being Overrun. The Serbians, While Retreating Before the Germans, Captured 40,000 Prisoners and They Have Been Landed at Marseilles. Italy Lands a Large Force in Albania Which Means New Operations on a Large Scale in the New War Theatre—Two Hundred Thousand Abyssinians Available for the Allies—Belgian Relief Ship Hit Mine and Was Beached in Sinking Condition—An Italian Steamer Was Sunk.**

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 17.—The Berlin army headquarters announces today that Austrian troops are invading Montenegro and have captured Bjelopolje, twenty miles west of the Serbian border.

The Montenegrin statement today admits the capture Tuesday of Rozaj, after the retreat of the home troops.

The Serbians while retreating before the Teutons, took 40,000 prisoners, says a dispatch from Marseilles, where the prisoners were landed today.

The landing of a large Italian force at Avlona, Albania, pressages operations in the new theater of war on a large scale, as this port is regarded as the "key to the Adriatic." Italy is expecting to help reorganize the Serbian army.

Stubborn fighting between the Serbians and Bulgarians continues along the Drin River in Albania.

Two hundred thousand Abyssinians are said to be available to the allies for operations in the Orient.

## Charge Russian Outrages.

[By Associated Press.]  
Berlin, Dec. 17.—The destruction of a building flying the United States flag by Russian torpedo boats last July was reported officially by the

Turkish government, which enumerates other alleged violations of international law in the treatment of prisoners in the hospitals, and of non-combatants is charged to the allies. The location of the building was not given.

## Relief Ship Hit Mine.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 17.—The Belgian relief committee's steamship, Levenpool, New York to Rotterdam, struck a mine and was beached in a sinking condition on the English east coast.

## Italian Steamer Sunk.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 17.—The Italian steamer Porto is said to have been sunk.

## Mrs. Asquith Persecuted.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Herbert H. Asquith, wife of the premier, appeared today as the plaintiff in a suit to restrain a newspaper (the Globe) from the publication of alleged libels. Mrs. Asquith, counsel said, for two weeks has been "deliberately pursued" in the newspaper with accusations of disloyalty and of associations with German prisoners at Donnington Hall.

# PLOW TIME IS CLOSE TO HAND

Remember, we sell the Case Steel Plows and Cultivators. Now listen, suppose you try a Case, backed by an iron-clad guarantee. Now we say in all candor that the Case Plows, Cultivators and Planters have no equal. We stand asking a trial of these famous Plows, Cultivators and Planters.

Just received one car of Barbed Wire, Hog Wire and Poultry Netting. Our prices are right. We solicit a portion of your valued trade.

With a happy Christmas, a prosperous New Year, we thank one and all for past favors; hope we have made it profitable for you to trade with us. With love to all and malice to none, we are yours for 1916.

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## THE HIGHER COURT MUDDLE.

Is there such a thing as a Supreme Court, and if so what is it? Heretofore, from our infancy up, we have looked upon the Supreme Court as the beginning and the end, the alpha and the omega of every question at law, but in these latter days the scales are falling from our eyes and our idol seems to have tumbled from the high pedestal upon which we placed it.

It now appears that we have no Supreme Court, that is, in name only, for on the question of supreme authority, there are others ready to lock horns on the question of who's who. The Court of Criminal Appeals also claims to be a "supreme court," and absolutely refuses to sidestep at the honk of the piece of court machinery that has heretofore had the right of way.

The two courts are tied up on the constitutionality of the State pool hall law, the Supreme Court declaring it unconstitutional and the Court of Criminal Appeals upholding its constitutionality. The conflict of authority has produced a regular Duke's Mix-ture and a legal muddle has ensued that demands the question be settled, and settled in such a manner that future conflicts will be avoided. The Galveston News pins its faith to the Supreme Court and discusses the question as follows:

"The action of the Court of Criminal Appeals, in the case coming to it from Waco relating to the enforcement of the local option pool hall law, does not change the status of the deadlock between the civil and criminal jurisdictions. But it does emphasize it. The court in this case directed a district judge of McLennan County not to interfere with the efforts of the sheriff to close a pool hall. A few days previously the Court of Civil Appeals, sitting at Dallas, directed a district judge of Grayson County to stop the sheriff in his efforts to close a pool hall. It is true that a rehearing has been granted in the Grayson County cases, but it is not probable that it will result in an exchange of the decision already made. As matters stand now, it appears that by appealing to the Court of Criminal Appeals a sheriff can get entire freedom to close pool halls, while a pool hall proprietor, by appealing to a Court of Civil Appeals, can get immunity from interference by the sheriff. There is apparently but one more knot to tie in this controversy. The Waco case ought to be brought into the civil jurisdiction and the Grayson County case into the criminal jurisdiction. Then the sheriffs of those two counties would be under contradictory orders, and would be certain to fall under the displeasure of some court, regardless of whether they should do something or should do nothing.

Intrinsically, the controversy itself is not of much moment. But it is notable and noteworthy as an illustration of the need of giving supreme authority to some one of the courts. The controversy between the Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals resolves itself into a question of constitutional interpretation. The constitution is the charter of civil rights, so that it would seem that to challenge a statute's constitutionality is to raise a civil question, regardless of whether the statute is found in the civil or the penal code. Hence, considered as an original proposition and on the ground of reason alone, it should seem that the fit tribunal in which to bring the question of constitutionality for final judgment is the Supreme Court of the State. But whether it be vested in this tribunal or in a tribunal made up in another way is a minor matter relatively to that of doing something to render a repetition of such controversies impossible. If something of this kind shall not be done, then these controversies are apt to become rather common; for having asserted its jurisdiction in one case involving the constitutionality of a criminal statute, are not the doors of the Supreme Court thrown open to any one who thinks that his civil rights are infringed by a statute whose constitutionality is affirmed by the Court of Criminal Appeals?"

## OBJECT LESSON IN PORK.

We are glad to direct the attention of all readers of the Eagle to a communication published at another place in this paper from Ed Scott, a colored man, relative to his success with raising a pig in accordance with a suggestion made by Booker T. Washington. Last spring Booker T. Washington, the great colored educator, now deceased, suggested that every colored family in the South raise one pig. The Eagle reproduced his letter and editorially urged the colored people

of Brazos County to act upon the suggestion. Ed Scott, colored, of Bryan did so and made a profit, as shown by his statement, of \$21. The effort of this colored man is commendable and as he says, shows what can be done in hog raising if only the proper effort is made.

The Eagle has long contended that Brazos County should produce its own meat. The county is impoverished and has been for years, because the farmers have tried to raise cotton to pay for their feed and meat. The bacon account is the largest carried by the grocery merchants, and must be eliminated before our farmers can come into that prosperity to which they are entitled.

The Eagle would suggest, as a stimulus to pork production, a ham, bacon and lard show to be held in Bryan at an early date, or about the time the farmers' meat is cured and ready to be hung up. A room, or building could be provided in which our farmers could make a display of their meats and small premiums could be offered as an inducement for them to make exhibits. Such a show would undoubtedly be an inspiration to pork production and would influence those farmers who are making no effort to produce their own meat to make an effort in that direction.

The Eagle believes it would be a good idea for this ham, bacon and lard exhibit to be held in connection with the poultry show during the last week in January. This is merely offered as a suggestion and if the Commercial Club and those having the poultry show in charge, deem it worthy, we would like to see them take it up and carry it through. There is no doubt of the good it would do.

## THE BUSY FARM.

Now is the time for the farmers to use their brains on next year's crops. That brains count and count largely in the farm the same as in every other business, all are now thoroughly convinced. The whole crop should be planned now—the acreage to be devoted to each product, the garden, the dairy, the orchard, the fences, the selection of corn and cotton seed—in fact, every detail should be worked out now. These things should not be left until the farmer comes face to face with them when they must be decided right then. Work then out now while there is time for study and deliberate action. One day of thoughtful planning now is worth a month of nervous, haphazard work next spring.

—Bryan Eagle.  
 Of course many farmers are now doing the thing suggested and some have made their plans already. There are some, however, who are dragging along at the slow heels of indecision. Indecision, and, in certain cases, indolence, is a chief trouble. In order to succeed on the farm one must know his business and must attend to it promptly and carefully. There is a deal of planning to do. It requires efficient management. A successful man in this line needs to be always alive to opportunities and obtain better seed, better implements and better labor. Later he must be posted as to the better methods of harvesting and marketing crops and the most satisfactory place to buy his supplies. It is a busy business, with a dozen sides to it. On a well conducted farm there is something to do every day in the year.—Galveston News.

The Eagle's editorial comment at the beginning of the cotton season to the effect that this country should sell her cotton wherever she pleased and give her cotton ships a convoy of a hundred battleships if necessary to see that it reached its destination, seems not to have been a wild dream as some thought at the time. The editorial was widely copied, indorsed by some papers and by some considered rather bold. It now develops that Secretary of the Navy Daniels holds the same opinion as that expressed by the Eagle. In a speech Wednesday before the Southern Commercial Congress at Charleston, he said the South particularly needed the protection embodied in the president's preparedness program. He said the South's principal crop was cotton, it was sold largely abroad and our merchant marine needed the protection of an adequate navy in reaching its destination. From the above utterance it will be seen the Eagle's idea of what American independence should be, was not so extravagant after all.

## BE "KEERFUL," ED.

So far we have not seen a single blow in the Navasota Examiner-Review where any of Ed Blackshear's friends have brought him in great hunks of country sausage, spare ribs, backbone, hog jowl, turnip greens, etc. What you been doing to the boys, Ed?—Bryan Eagle.

Must not have been reading this column very carefully. We reported a most liberal lot of collards a day or so ago and that very day a good friend brought us in a great big piece

of hog jowl. Had sausage last week and we are confidently expecting some friend to remember us again this week.—Navasota Examiner.

Been watching "this column" like a hawk and dingbusted if this isn't the first intimation we have had that any of the bliss producing, soul satisfying viands had been sent in. Glad to know they are coming so freely and our only admonition is to be "keerful" and don't founder right here at Christmas.

## CAUSE AND EFFECT.

If this congress abolishes a single commission; if it does anything to lessen the intricacies of the governmental machinery, you may drop us a card.—Waco Times-Herald.

And when you get said card if it is in the affirmative, just come and cut our throat.—Bryan Eagle.  
 Well, if it does both of you will be pleased to entertain the consciousness that you did your best for it, won't you? He that expecteth little doesn't stand to be disappointed, either, so whatever happens you will feel perfectly normal, we suppose.—Denton Record.

In the meantime, the tax burden will go on enlarging and the men who toil will find it more and more difficult to keep the wolf from the door.—Waco Times-Herald.

## A LITTLE POINTER.

Speaking about the heavy increase in the cost of government, here's a little pointer:

Each congressman has a private secretary.

Nothing wrong about that if only each congressman would pay the salary.

But the government pays.

And what do you suppose are the duties of a private secretary?

Mending fences back home—the congressman's political fences.—Waco Times-Herald.

There are about 425 congressmen. Each secretary gets \$1,200 a year, we are informed; 425 times \$1,200 is only \$510,000. What you pointing at?—Athens Review.

And "Jones, he pays the freight."—Waco Times-Herald.

Jones has been paying it up to this "psychological moment," but they have increased the tonnage until the old boy can no longer cut the mustard.

It is a song,

It is a smile,

It is that long

Dreamt "Afterwhile,"

That season sweet

When in us rise

Our hearts to meet.

The splendid skies

With love and faith

Of better things—

When Christmas sings,

When Christmas sings!

—Baltimore Sun.

Public improvements in Bryan just keep on coming. Those ten-foot concrete sidewalks on Bryan street will complete the work of converting that thoroughfare into a thing of beauty and a joy forever. The next step will be for those merchants whose places of business have their rear doors on Bryan street, to open fronts on that street also, giving them entrances from two streets. That will be a long step toward city ways.

Villa has quit the drive in Mexico and it is said will seek safety in another country. His commanders are seeking terms of immunity from Carranza in return for their surrender. He fled from Mexico a few years ago with a price fixed upon his head by General Porfirio Diaz. When Madero went in he returned to his native country with five followers and seven dollars in money. With so insignificant a beginning, it cannot be denied he has cut quite a considerable swath.

State Treasurer Edwards is rapidly taking up all outstanding treasury warrants and it is hoped the state will soon be on a cash basis. The heavy penalties paid recently by the packing interests in Texas for violations of the anti-trust laws, added largely to the state's revenues and aided in liquidating the outstanding indebtedness.

A petition is being circulated to be presented to the commissioners' court asking that they order an election for Madison County for a good roads bond issue to the amount of \$200,000. We are glad to state the petition is being liberally signed with very little opposition. This is one of the grandest moves ever started for Madison County.—Madisonville Meteor.

If you can't give your friends a present, say a kind word to them. The chances are it will be more highly appreciated.

Those farmers whose cream cans you see coming in every morning are not worrying about store accounts. They are paying as they go.

## THE PASSING YEAR.

The Eagle editor's old friend, Editor J. M. Carnes of the East Texas Register, father of the late Malcolm Carnes, who worked side by side with us for many years, is a poet of the very highest order, but rarely gives way to his poetic tendencies except at Christmas time, or the closing of the year. We believe the following from his brilliant pen on the "The Passing Year" is his masterpiece, and it is so beautiful, so chaste, so refined and the sentiment so lofty, we give it space that our readers may also enjoy its beauty and tenderness:

The latest leaves are falling,  
 Withered leaves;  
 The wintry winds are brawling  
 'Round the eaves;  
 The belated birds are flying  
 To the southward, vainly sighing  
 O'er the flowers, slowly dying;  
 Nature grieves.

The year is sadly drawing  
 To a close.  
 Like dirges sounds the cawing  
 Of the crows;  
 The shivering clouds are sailing,  
 In a struggle unavailing  
 To escape the north wind, wailing  
 As he goes.

The old, weary, outworn, hoary  
 Passing year  
 Breathes a sympathetic story  
 In mine ear:  
 My summer, too, has passed,  
 And the chill December blast  
 Its leaves are scattering fast,  
 Brown and sere.

My winter comes apace,  
 Day by day,  
 And with a tender grace  
 Steals away  
 The strength of manhood's prime,  
 And where erst was flowery time  
 He spreads the frostwork's ryme,  
 Cold and gray.

Yet I hold him truest friend  
 Of my life,  
 For with his coming end  
 Toil and strife,  
 His influence, kind and good,  
 Has curbed my passions' flood  
 And cooled the ardent blood,  
 Once too rife.

Not for youth's ephemeral pleasures  
 Do I weep,  
 Nor manhood's tinsel treasures  
 Would I keep—  
 Content with home and friends,  
 My life on God depends,  
 And when its measure ends,  
 I shall sleep.

The Waxahachie cotton mill is to be enlarged to increase its capacity 25 per cent. Brazos County raises enough cotton to keep a mill busy and we have never yet been able to see the good horse sense in paying freight on the cotton to Europe and then freight on the manufactured goods back to Bryan. Factories to use our raw materials are among the crying needs of this section.

A Missouri editor uses a bold figure of speech to illustrate what is and what is not news. He says: "You might see a cow. You might see a fence post. You might see an apple. None of these is news. But if you should see the cow sitting on the fence post eating the apple, that would be news." It would be news all right, but too yellow to be published. There is one Christmas present every man should provide for himself. It may come high, but its worth the price. If there is aught of bitterness, of malice, of envy, of hatred in your heart, wring it out, putting love and mercy and justness in their stead, so you can say to all the world, "peace on earth, good will to men."

lished in a reputable newspaper.—East Texas Register.

The real news feature, as we see it, connected with the above exaggerated hypothesis would be that the fellow who discovered the cow sitting on the fence post eating the apple, would be in a mighty bad fix.

Governor Ferguson is back from his trip to the East and is pleased with his visit. He says that while in New York he tried to convince the money centers that Texas was not unfriendly to big business and is hopeful of new investments from that locality. He has not yet decided the question of an extra session of the legislature.

The president of the United States today listened to the longest sentence ever spoken—"I pronounce you man and wife."

Diversification will enable every farmer to "run" himself. Sam Jones said if a farmer gets his merchant to "run" him during the spring and summer, he'll make him fly in the fall.

It is said the price of automobiles is dropping steadily. May the downward path be kept greased until they come within range of our weekly stipend.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM A. &amp; M. COLLEGE

Will Dismiss for Holidays Dec. 22 and Special Train Will Take Boys Home.

## Special Trains for Cadets.

Holidays begin at the A. and M. College Wednesday, Dec. 22. School will close at noon on Wednesday and special trains, one for the north and one for the south, will leave over the Houston & Texas Central at 1 o'clock.

The International & Great Northern will operate a special train to San Antonio. Connections will be made with night trains leaving Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco, Houston and San Antonio.

School opens again Monday, Jan. 3, at 8 a. m.

## No Athletic Work.

This is a season of rest at the A. and M. College in an athletic sense. No games of any nature have been played on Kyle field since the turkey day football game with Mississippi A. and M. Basketball starts in earnest soon after Christmas holidays. Nick Braumiller, captain, and eight other members of last year's squad are eligible this season and Coach Graves is expecting to put a championship quintet in the field. Seven new men of much promise are out for the team also. Their first game is with the Sam Houston Normal at College Station Jan. 7. Texas University comes here for two games and the Aggies will play two games in Austin.

## City of Washington.

Miss Bernice Carter, assistant state agent in charge of the girls' canning club and home demonstration work, has gone to Washington to attend the annual national meeting of these workers. There are 5,000 Texas girls engaged in growing tomatoes and other vegetables and fruits and canning these products. Other phases of the work cover fundamental instructions in domestic science and economy.

Girls plant one-tenth of an acre to tomatoes, and yields averaging from 3,000 to 5,000 pounds off of these plots have been reported this year. Profit, above the tomatoes set aside for home use, have run from \$50 to more than \$150 off the one-tenth acre plots.

This work is carried on co-operatively by the United States department of agriculture and the A. and M. College.

## WOULD PUT BAILEY INTO RACE.

Ex-Senator May Be Candidate if Culberson Should Withdraw.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Should Senator C. A. Culberson decline to make the race for re-election from Texas the friends of former Senator J. W. Bailey will endeavor to put him into the running, according to a story that has been going the Washington rounds for several days. Ex-Senator Bailey returned recently from Texas.

No intimation has reached Washington that can be regarded as trustworthy concerning the intention of Senator Culberson, who is in Maine, where he has been since early in the fall. One story is that a definite announcement may be expected soon after New Year's. None of the office staff of the Texas senator can give information touching the rumor.

In justice to Senator Bailey, it must be stated that he has definitely announced that he would not be a candidate for senator next year.

## PECANS FOR PARK.

Colonel Clarence Ousley has donated to the Civic League a half dozen very fine Delmas pecan trees for the Civic Park. The trees came from the nursery of Charles L. Edwards of Dallas and came with a lot ordered for the A. and M. College. The donation is very highly appreciated by the president and members of the league.

## LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Eggs, 30c per doz.  
 Butter, 25c per lb.  
 Hens, 7c per lb.  
 Fryers, 11c per lb.  
 Broilers, 11c per lb.  
 Ducks \$2.00 to \$3.00 per doz.  
 Geese, \$3.00 to \$4.00 per doz.  
 Turkeys, 12c per lb.  
 Cows, 4c to 4½c per lb.  
 Calves, 5c per lb.  
 Steers, 5c per lb.  
 Hogs, 6c to 6½c per lb.  
 Oats, 47c per bu.  
 Corn, 70c per bu.  
 Prairie hay, \$10.00 per ton.  
 Alfalfa, \$19.50 per ton.  
 Bermuda hay, \$12.00 per ton.  
 Butter fat, 30c per lb.

## GIVEN EXAMINING TRIALS.

George (Coochie) Johnson and Life Austin, colored, held on two charges of stealing hogs, were given examining trials yesterday afternoon before Justice McGee. They were given bond in the sum of \$250 each in each case. They have not yet made bond.

## GOOD ROADS BONDS WERE APPROVED

County Judge J. T. Maloney and Special Counsel Judge J. W. Doremus, have returned from Austin, where they went on business connected with the county good roads bonds. The \$400,000 worth of bonds were received from the engravers a few days ago and Judge Maloney and Judge Doremus carried them to Austin, where they were approved by the comptroller and registered in the office of the secretary of state. Every thing is now ready for the delivery of the bonds and securing the funds therefor. Judge Maloney believes he will be able to announce tomorrow all details connected with the sale of the bonds and just when the money will be available.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Interesting Information of This Popular Institution.

As the old year draws to a close, it occurred to the librarian that mention of the things that have been added to the library would not be amiss.

First of all, the city authorities have been most liberal in complying with the requests submitted to them. Screens have been put in the windows, leaks in roof stopped, a splendid new lawn mower provided for the library and city park, help in cleaning after the storm, and a contribution to the work on the Woman's Club are some of the things they have done.

The committee from the Woman's Club contributed their services as well as money in making the beds for flowers around the library. How could we get along without their help in keeping and beautifying the grounds?

The librarian, with the assistance of Mrs. Hudson Myers and others, sold tickets for a picture show benefit and through the liberality of Mr. and Mrs. Fairman, we made \$37.

A new writing desk for the use of the public has added much to the convenience of those who use the library.

Two additional stoves have given comfort during the cold weather.

The Boy Scouts, now making their headquarters at the library, have turned over their books to be given out in the same manner as other books.

Mr. Herbert Reed has offered to furnish two windows in the auditorium with shades, the boy scouts two and I wonder who will furnish the one left?

The story hour on Saturday from 2 to 3 o'clock is proving a great success. I hope the children will be prompt in getting here, as the door will be closed at a quarter past 2, when the story begins. Saturday after New Year will be the time for the next meeting.

Three hundred and seventy-three books have been put in the shelves, besides a set of Encyclopedia Britannica, donated by Judge and Mrs. H. M. Garwood of Houston.

Four magazines and a set of books are being paid for with the money taken in for fines.

Three hundred and sixty-five new names have been added to the register, which shows how the reading list is increasing.

What would we do without our daily paper? The librarian feels grateful for the help given through its columns to this institution.

Don't forget that the reading room is open all day. Books given out at 9:30 to 12 m., and from 3 to 5:30 p. m.

WILLIE L. ROGERS,

Librarian.

## CRAP SHOOTERS TRIALS RESET.

The cases of thirty-four negroes, charged with gaming some time ago, were called for trial in the justice court this morning, but were postponed until Jan. 4 on account of the cases not being ready for trial. The negroes were arrested by Deputy Sheriff Battle and Constable Baker some time ago, but their cases were not called for trial until this morning.

## MAY DELAY LUSITANIA SETTLEMENT

Withdrawal of Boy-Ed and Von Papen and American Demands on Austria Over Ancona Sinking, the Cause.

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 21.—The full settlement of the Lusitania case recently was near, but because of the withdrawal of Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen and the American demands on Austria in the Ancona case, Berlin officials have decided a settlement satisfactory to the United States now would not meet with popular German approval, according to reliable information here.



## LOCALS

## WEDNESDAY

Herman Kindt was in the city today from Kurten.

J. W. Doremus Jr. of Calvert is here on business.

Joe B. Walker of Alexander was in the city today.

J. M. Saladin went to Houston on business yesterday.

W. L. Closs was here from Tabor on business today.

Bernard Stewart went to Hearne for a brief visit today.

Marvin Elliott of the Tabor community was in town today.

S. C. and J. L. Hicks of Keith were trading in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crenshaw of Cottonwood were in the city today.

T. B. Martin was in the city today from his home at Steep Hollow.

R. M. Gordon has returned to Houston, after a brief visit to this city.

W. L. Boyett returned to Houston yesterday, after a visit to this city.

Mrs. Pearl Martindale and son John of Edge went to Houston today for a visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mears of Independence were among the visitors in the city today.

C. S. Henry and family have shipped their household goods and have gone to Manor, Travis County, Texas, to make their home in future.

A. F. Wilson has returned to his plantation in the Brazos bottom, after spending several days at his home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Shisa, Prof. and Mrs. F. C. Bolton and Mrs. R. P. Marsteller were visitors to the city today from College.

H. L. McKnight went to Teague today in the interest of the agricultural extension work of the A. and M. College.

Miss Martha Goodwin has returned to her home in Kilgore, after a pleasant visit to her aunt, Mrs. N. A. Stewart and other relatives in this city.

Mrs. S. A. Dansby went to Austin today, where she will have her eyes treated. She was accompanied by H. P. Dansby.

Theo Miller, superintendent of public construction for the government, arrived from Ennis yesterday for his weekly inspection of the work on the new postoffice building.

Mr. and Mrs. James O. Chance will leave Saturday for Tamworth, N. H., to spend Christmas with their son, James O. Chance Jr., who is in school in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hunnicutt left today for San Angelo, where they will remain some two months in the interest of Mr. Hunnicutt's health. They were accompanied by Mrs. J. L. Robertson.

Dr. J. L. Fountain left yesterday for Chicago, Ill., where he will spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Ed Price.

Lula Donnelly, colored, plead guilty to a charge of disturbing the peace before Justice of the Peace L. D. McGee this morning and was fined \$1 and costs.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Johnson have returned from Jacksonville, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Johnson's mother.

I wish to announce to my friends that I am now at Philip Hermer's dry goods store and will appreciate your future trade. Call and see me. Lacy Pittman.

## THURSDAY

L. S. Williams of Coleview was in town trading today.

J. M. Saladin has returned from a business trip to Houston.

Dr. J. C. Davidson was a visitor to the city today from Harvey.

Mrs. J. S. Jenkins of Mumford is a guest of friends in this city.

W. H. McVey was in town on business today from Minter Springs.

Will C. Johnson returned to Beaumont yesterday, after a visit to this city.

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Odom of Kurten were among the visitors in the city today.

Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Rea of Harvey have returned from a visit to Houston.

P. L. Barron of Wellborn was in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sample were visitors to the city today from their home on Cottonwood.

Miss Hazel Hewitt arrived today from Navasota and is a guest of friends in this city.

Mrs. S. P. Martin has returned to Houston, after a visit to her father, A. A. Dean of Tabor.

Miss Minnie Rogers left today for her home in St. Louis, after a pleasant visit to Mrs. W. S. Howell.

Mrs. M. L. Friend arrived today from Galveston for a visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Lavender.

Mrs. F. L. Webb and little son, Frank Webb Jr., have returned from a visit to her parents in Beaumont.

Joe Goldberg went to Corpus Christi

yesterday to join his wife and little daughter in a visit to relatives and friends in that city. Mr. Goldberg states that he will be a member of a big party of hunters on the coast during the Christmas holidays.

H. G. Green, representative of the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co., has returned to his home in Brenham after several days' visit in this city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Thompson returned yesterday from Marlin, where they have been in the interest of the former's health.

Rec. C. T. Tally has returned from Hearne, where he attended the missionary conference of the Marlin district.

## FRIDAY

Bowen Barnes and D. Roddy of Flynn were here today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holder of Harvey were among the visitors in the city today.

Miss Kate Lee Henley of Temple arrived yesterday for a visit to Mrs. L. P. Thomas.

Miss Erin Blatherwick has returned from an extended visit to relatives in Normangee.

Miss Lizzie Slaughter has returned to Benchley, after visiting relatives at Steep Hollow.

Mrs. W. F. Proctor and daughter, Miss Louise, of College were shopping in the city today.

Rev. J. J. Pipkin left today for a visit to Midland in the interest of Buckner Orphan's Home in Dallas.

Misses Erma and Winona Gilbert of Oakwoods are visiting relatives and friends at Wellborn.

Mrs. W. E. Battle has returned from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Royder of Wellborn.

O. L. Tabor has returned from a visit to his son, O. L. Tabor Jr. and wife and other relatives and friends in Houston.

Milton Potter, a student of A. and M. College, has gone to his home in Galveston to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. J. E. Pitzer Jr. arrived yesterday from Sweetwater to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Trant.

Mrs. W. R. Fairman has returned from Waco, where she attended the marriage of her sister, Miss Ethel Long, to Mr. Charlie McNeal in that city Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Josie Fender returned to Wellborn yesterday, after a visit to friends in this city. Mrs. Fender has rented the old Dawson home on East Anderson street and will open a boarding house there on Jan. 1.

J. W. Doremus Jr. returned to Calvert today, after a business trip to this city.

## SATURDAY

Wiley Kelly of Tabor was in town today.

Mrs. L. H. Bradley is visiting relatives in Millican.

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Odom were here today from Kurten.

George B. and J. L. Hensarling were in the city today from Wellborn.

Mrs. L. E. Moorehead left last night for a visit to relatives in Warren, Tex.

R. S. Newsom of Whitaker was in the city on business yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. C. N. Ousley went to Dallas today for a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Jno. Rosser.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cook of Steep Hollow were among the visitors to the city today.

George Foster and H. H. Hodges were in town on business today from the Brazos bottom.

C. M. Risinger and Prof. A. B. Ford were among the visitors to the city from Steep Hollow today.

J. F. Sullivan of the Houston & Texas Central Railroad was in the city on business yesterday.

Misses Bessie and Clara Seale and Hattie Haltom of Benchley were shopping in the city today.

Miss Lottie Blanton and Miss Nannie Williams were in the city from Cottonwood shopping today.

Mrs. H. J. Schaffly of Carlyle, Ill., arrived today to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. G. S. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Darby, David Scott and Miss Lizzie Grissett were visitors to Bryan from Iowa today.

Albert Walker, who is attending school in this city, returned to his home in Groesbeck today to spend the Christmas holidays.

Little Miss Inez Reed, a student at Villa Maria Academy, returned to her home in Marlin today to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Elsie Martin arrived yesterday from Baylor University at Waco to spend the Christmas holidays at her home in this city.

J. S. Doane, proprietor of Hotel Bryan, has returned from Fort Worth, where he has been attending the Hotel Men's State Convention.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Risinger of Steep Hollow have gone to Koontz,

Hardin County, to spend Christmas with relatives in that city.

Misses Marguerite and Lucille Sims of Villa Maria Academy went to Dallas today to spend the Christmas holidays at their home in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. James O. Chance left today for Tamworth, N. H., to spend Christmas with their son, James O. Chance Jr., who is in school in that city.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Sells of Taft, Cal., will rejoice with them in the birth of a little son yesterday. Mrs. Sells was formerly Miss Bessie Buchanan.

## MONDAY

J. M. Olsen of Steep Hollow was here today.

Henry Koontz of Zack was in the city on business today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Gilpin visited the city today from Kurten.

Rev. C. C. Frieling of Reliance was a visitor to the city today.

Douglass Howell spent the weekend with friends in Navasota.

Mrs. Morgan Closs of Cottonwood was shopping in the city today.

Mrs. Charles Sosolik and little son are visiting relatives in Ennis.

Mrs. Emma Schmidt has returned from a visit to relatives in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Taylor of Cooks Point were shopping in the city today.

Mrs. I. Gordon is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Levine of Calvert.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Preston of Dallas are guests of J. Ralph Howell and family.

George Wicker Jr. and Walter Holmes are at home from Tyler Commercial College at Tyler to spend the holidays.

Jno. Daly Jr. went to Austin on business yesterday.

Mrs. Addie Gilliam of Houston arrived today and is a guest of relatives in this city.

Jim Stevens of the Navasota Examiner spent yesterday with friends in this city.

Arnold Leverton is at home from Baylor University at Waco to spend the holidays.

John Conaway and Miss Ella Conaway were visitors to Bryan from Independence today.

Mrs. A. B. Carr Jr. of Houston arrived today for a visit to her mother, Mrs. M. J. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Holland arrived yesterday from Plainview for a visit to relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sheppard of Smiley, Tex., arrived yesterday for a visit to relatives at Kurten.

Miss Alma Robinson of San Antonio is a guest of Mrs. Elizabeth Wilcox and other friends in this city.

W. A. Murray of Mesa, Grimes County, was here today en route to Pearsall for a visit to his sister.

Edwin Jenkins and Harry Edge are at home from Southwestern University at Georgetown to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Betty Skains and daughter, Miss Kate Skains, have returned to their home in Franklin, after having been called here by the death of Mrs. Skains' sister, Mrs. W. H. Walker.

W. A. McMillan has returned to Calvert, having been called here by the death of his sister, Mrs. W. H. Walker.

Mrs. W. J. Walker and son, James Walker, have gone to Commerce to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hart.

Mrs. J. A. Parker, Lee Parker, W. G. Vealey, Mrs. A. W. Royder, Mrs. Geo. Royder came up from Wellborn and spent the day in the city shopping.

W. L. Driver, athletic director at the A. and M. College, is spending the holidays on a hunting trip in the Ozarks.

Miss Pearl Drummond is at home from Cotley College, Nevada, Mo., to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Drummond of Cottonwood.

Miss Eleanor Meachum has returned to her home in Anderson, after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. J. Ralph Howell. She was accompanied home by her little nephew, Master Ralph Howell Jr., who will spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. E. W. Kerr of Baton Rouge, La., and sons, Eugene and Ray, and daughter, Janette, have arrived at the A. and M. College to spend Christmas with Mrs. Kerr's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Shisa. Professor Kerr will be in Cuba on professional business during the holidays.

Mrs. J. T. Kelly and daughter, Miss Vera Wiley, have returned to their home in Marlin, after an extended visit to Mrs. Kelly's mother, Mrs. L. E. Battle.

Mrs. H. B. McDowell and little daughter went to Hearne today to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. J. S. Byars and daughter, Miss Gussie Byars, and W. M. Byars were in the city today from Independence.

Mrs. Ole Martinsen of Corpus Christi arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oprsteny.

Jordan T. Lawler and mother, Mrs. H. T. Lawler, have returned from an extended visit to San Francisco, Cal., and other points on the Pacific coast.

## TUESDAY

Jimmy Cahill of Smetana was in town today.

J. L. Hensarling of Wellborn was in town today.

Jno. Daly Sr. went to Navasota on business yesterday.

W. E. Gandy was up today from his home near Wellborn.

J. M. Cole left yesterday for a visit to friends in Rosenberg.

Bob Batton was down today from his home on Cottonwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Cy Koontz were in the city today from Zack.

Miss Maud Sowarby of College was shopping in the city today.

Dr. W. A. Smith of Millican was in town today between trains.

V. P. Denton of Whitewright is a guest of friends in this city.

George P. Edge was in the city today from Harris school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Robinson visited the city today from Wixon.

J. W. Sheppard and Henry Sheppard of Kurten were in the city today.

No disappointment about your gift if it comes from Park's Jewelry store.

J. W. Doremus Jr. of Calvert was among the guests at Hotel Bryan today.

Wiley Coulson, a well known citizen of Iowa, was a visitor to Bryan today.

Misses Lillie and Minnie Ferguson of Harvey were shopping in the city today.

W. S. Mial of the Brazos bottom was in the city transacting business today.

Mrs. H. R. Ousley left today for a visit to relatives in Dallas and Fort Worth.

Miss Caro Mae Edwards of Millican is a guest of relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. I. Gordon and little daughter have returned from a visit to relatives in Calvert.

Miss Clara Braatz has returned from an extended visit to California and Colorado.

W. L. Edge of Port Arthur is here to spend Christmas with relatives in this city and at Edge.

Mrs. R. P. Lee and little son, Rudolph, went to Dallas today to spend Christmas with relatives.

Professor and Mrs. H. H. Williamson of the A. and M. College went to Bedias yesterday to spend Christmas with relatives.

Miss Kathleen McMichael arrived yesterday from Denton, where she is attending the College of Industrial Arts to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Lula McMichael.

C. M. Evans of the agricultural extension department of the A. and M. College went to Mineola today to conduct a horticultural campaign.

Miss Kathryn Boyett arrived today from Hempstead, where she is teaching, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boyett.

Mrs. R. R. Ellis and son Leldon went to Houston yesterday to spend Christmas with relatives. They will be joined in a few days by Mr. Ellis.

Get you a Christmas starter, a "Sambo" for your friend. It will make life look different. H. C. Gibson, agent, phone 218. Come and let me demonstrate it for you and be convinced.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Batte Jr. and little daughter, Helen, arrived today from Tampico, Mexico, to spend Christmas with Mr. Batte's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Batte.

The excavation work for the sidewalks on Bryan street is progressing slowly, necessarily so, however, on account of the number of pipe connections at the back of the stores, which are near the top of the ground, which prevents the use of wheelers or scrapers.

Henry Kurten of Kurten was in the city trading today.

T. P. Hall was a visitor to the city from Steep Hollow today.

George Williams of Coleview was in town on business today.

C. W. Lemm of Brenham, who holds the state record for bowling, was in the city on business today.

Malcolm M. Graham, a student of Allen Academy, returned to his home in Galveston last night to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Herman Pipkin of Amarillo, who has been visiting relatives in Navasota and Somerville, arrived today and is a guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Pipkin and family and other relatives in this city.

Another car of gravel has been received by the International & Great Northern Railroad Company to be placed on Bryan street. This work is nearing completion, as there remains only one more block to be graveled, from West Burleson street to West Fannin street.

Mrs. W. F. Hoppess and little son, Coulter Hoppess, arrived yesterday from Hillsboro to spend Christmas with Mrs. Hoppess' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coulter.

Orders for poll tax not necessary to have revenue stamp. We have just received notice from Internal Revenue Collector A. S. Walker that orders for poll tax not required to have revenue stamp. W. I. McCulloch, Tax Collector, Brazos County, Texas.

## INSTRUCTING ONE'S WIDOW.

Your wife may not know your true financial condition but your widow will—hence the need of training. If you will persist in procrastinating in adequately providing for the future then instruct her what to say to the children when the bread wagon passes the door and does not stop and they are hungry. Tell her what to say to the groceryman when he refuses her credit and tells her he cannot sell her any longer because she has no funds with which to pay. Tell her what she should say when the weather is cold and damp and the child's feet are on the ground—tell her how to buy shoes without money. Tell her what she should say to your children when they plead with her for an education and she is unable to send them to school. Inform her how she shall persuade the physician to come when they are sick and he demands pay before he makes the visit. If she is to enter the business world after you die and earn her own living, tell her something about the dangers of that world to the woman who fights daily for her living and her virtue. Take her out some evening and show her the pale, shrinking figures that throng our streets and in the pale gleam of the gaslight, let her study their faces and ask them why they lost out in the battle. Play fair, procrastinator, juggler with the future of a helpless wife and children—instruct your wife to choose from the great army of widows in America today who are earning their own living because some breadwinner failed to adequately provide for them—choose from their ranks one whom you would have her pattern after. If she is to keep boards—if she is to take in plain sewing—if she is to wield the scrub brush in some office building—let her begin to keep them now, let her begin to sew now, buy her a scrub brush now and let her practice so that the day when death claims you for his own will not find her unprepared—or a much better way—sign an application now and make assurances doubly sure to her whom you promised to love, cherish and protect.

## MRS. ANNIE K. STASNEY DEAD.

A Christian Wife and Mother Gathered to Her Reward.

At 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning Mrs. Annie K. Stasney, wife of Hugo F. Stasney, and a member of one of Bryan's most prominent Bohemian families, died at her home after an illness of several days.

She was 29 years 7 months and 29 days of age and was born and reared in this city. She was formerly Miss Annie Wesatka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wesatka, one of Brazos County's oldest Bohemian families. She has lived in Bryan since childhood, and her death is sincerely regretted by friends over the entire county.

She was a member of the Catholic Church, active in all church work, sincere in her beliefs and was a regular attendant at all services. She was also a member of the S. P. J. S. T. Lodge, a fraternal order.

She was married to Hugo F. Stasney thirteen years ago and is survived by him and two children, one son, Lawrence, age 12, and one daughter, Clara, age 7.

The deep and heartfelt sympathy of all is extended to the members of the family in this sad hour.

The funeral was held from the family home this afternoon at 3 o'clock and the remains were laid to rest in the City Cemetery.

## TO BRAZOS COUNTY LAND OWNERS

If you have gravel beds, rock, or road material on your land, would advise that you see county judge, as Brazos County Road District No. One will not consider third party speculation.

Please, please, do not drive over or destroy surveyor's stakes along roads. This means savings of expense to us. W. J. COULTER, Chairman Road District Committee.

## HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

VIA I. & G. N. RAILWAY.

One and one-third fare round trip tickets to Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Memphis, on sale Dec. 18, 23, 24, 25, 26, and Jan. 1; limit Jan. 5. To Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, New Orleans, Washington, Baltimore, all points in Southeast and several points in Colorado, sell Dec. 21, 22 and 23; limit Jan. 18. See ticket agent I. & G. N. Railway.

FOR SALE CHEAP if taken at once, two registered Jersey male calves, one registered male yearling. See L. M. Gandy. Phone 1438.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

J. M. Thompson and Mrs. Emma Andrews.

Jim Martin and Hattie Randle.

## GOVERNMENT COTTON GINNING REPORT

The Report Shows the Ginnings More Than Three and a Half Million Bales Behind Last Year.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The seventh cotton ginning report of the season, compiled from reports of census bureau correspondents and agents throughout the cotton belt and issued at 10 a. m. today, announced that 10,303,253 bales of cotton counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1915, has been ginned prior to Dec. 13. That compares with 13,972,229 bales, or 87.8 per cent of the entire crop ginned prior to Dec. 13 last year, 12,088,412 bales, or 92.5 per cent in 1913 and 11,854,541 bales, or 92.2 per cent in 1912. The average quantity of cotton ginned prior to Dec. 13 in the last ten years was 11,476,189 bales or 89.5 per cent of the crop.

Included in the ginnings were 101,840 round bales, compared with 42,796 last year, 91,686 in 1913 and 75,772 in 1912.

Sea Island cotton included numbered 83,810 bales, compared with 71,461 last year, 69,520 in 1913 and 60,445 in 1912.



## CHRISTMAS TREES IN BRYAN CHURCHES

Elaborate Preparations to Make Christmas Joyous for the Children.

The Sunday schools of the city, with the exception of the Free Baptist, have decided to have Christmas trees this year and following is the time set by each school and the arrangements made by each:

### Presbyterian Sunday School.

The Presbyterian Sunday school, according to a custom established within the past few years, will not hold the usual Christmas tree with the accompanying gifts to the members of the school, but will again hold on Thursday, Dec. 23, what is called "The White Christmas," where presents are collected for the orphans and every member of the Sunday school is given a chance to take part in the offering. Miss Malcolm McInnis is chairman of the decoration and program committee and states that she is arranging one of the best programs possible. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these exercises, which will be given in the nature of a surprise, as the arrangements will not all be given out to the public, and something out of the ordinary is promised by the ladies of the school.

### Methodist Sunday School.

The Methodist Sunday school is making elaborate preparations to make their annual Christmas tree one of the biggest successes of its kind they have ever held. A good program is being arranged by Mrs. W. B. Cline, and the decorations are under the supervision of Mrs. Dona Carnes. The tree, with accompanying exercises, will be held on Friday (Christmas Eve) night and a happy evening is assured all who attend.

### First Baptist Sunday School.

The First Baptist Sunday school will have their tree with a fine program at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening, Dec. 24. The ladies of the school are endeavoring to make it one of the happiest and most pleasantly spent evenings of the holidays for all who attend. Following are the committees appointed by John A. Moore Jr.,

superintendent of the Sunday school: Committee to Get Tree—Baraca Class, J. M. Hare, chairman.

Committee on Decorations—All the teachers of the school. Mrs. T. R. Batte, chairman; assistants to decoration committee, M. A. Miller, W. T. Bryant and Professor Starkey.

Purchasing Committee—All teachers of primary department. Mrs. T. R. Batte, chairman. All teachers of the junior department. Mrs. W. T. Bryant, chairman.

All Needed Presents Above the Junior Department—Mrs. J. Webb Howell, chairman; Mrs. H. L. McKnight and Mrs. E. L. Webb.

Program Committee—Mrs. W. C. Davis, chairman; Mrs. T. R. Batte and Mrs. Geo. A. Adams.

Committee to Call Presents From Tree—W. C. Davis, chairman; R. S. Webb Jr., W. T. Bryant, M. A. Miller, Professor Starkey and T. P. Boyett Jr. Distributing Committee—Douglass Howell, chairman; Arnold Leverton, Sanky Park, J. Allen Myers Jr., Byron McKnight and Milton Fountain.

### Christian Sunday School.

The Christmas tree of the Christian Sunday school will also be held on Christmas Eve night and a good program is being prepared. Mrs. Hudson Myers is chairman of the program and decoration committee and with the assistance of the other ladies of the church, she plans to make the evening a thorough success. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

### Episcopal Sunday School.

The Episcopal Sunday school will hold their "Children's Festival," including a Christmas tree and manger, at 7:30 o'clock on Friday (Christmas Eve) night, and a good program is being prepared by the ladies of the guild for the occasion. The committees appointed to make all arrangements are as follows:

Committee to Secure the Tree—Mrs. M. B. Parker, Mrs. J. S. Mooring and Miss Cora Garth.

Committee on Decoration—The Young Ladies of the guild.

The Christmas tree exercises will be followed by the regular midnight mass. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

### St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

No special Christmas tree will be given by St. Joseph's Church, but a tree will be provided for the children of the Sunday school by the Ursuline sisters who are teaching the parochial

school. This, with accompanying exercises, will be held in the afternoon of Dec. 23, before the school is released for the holidays.

### FRENCH ORDERED RAILS.

Pennsylvania Steel Company Asked to Furnish 85,000 Tons.

(By Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 17.—The Pennsylvania Steel Company announced Thursday that the French government had placed with it an order for 85,000 tons of steel rails.

### SPIRITED BOWLING MATCH.

First Team Defeated by Picked Team by Close Margin.

Bryan's first team of bowlers was defeated by a picked team last night on the Bryan pool hall alleys, in one of the most spirited contests ever witnessed in this city. The first team won the first two of the three games played by the narrow margin of 11 and 13 pins respectively, but the picked team came through in the last game with a lead of 90 pins. The total scores were: First team, 2,436; picked team, 2,502.

Some of the first team bowlers were off form and fell far below their standard, but O. E. Saunders and L. O. Zanetti of that team rolled at top form with averages of 174 and 175 respectively.

Quite a crowd was present to witness the contest and much interest and enthusiasm was manifested. The two teams are matched to roll again next Tuesday night.

### WILL ISSUE ROAD WARRANTS.

\$130,000 Is Proposed by the Trinity County Commissioners.

Groveton, Tex., Dec. 16.—The commissioners' court of this county, in session this week, has decided to issue road warrants to the amount of \$130,000, of which amount \$30,000 will be set aside to pay one-half the cost of constructing a bridge across the Trinity River at Riverside, the other half to be paid by Walker County. The balance will be used in completing the public road from this place to Trinity, and in building a good road to Pennington and to the iron bridge on Neches River. Warrants will be issued as the material is furnished and the work performed, and it is understood the warrants will be made to draw 6 per cent interest.

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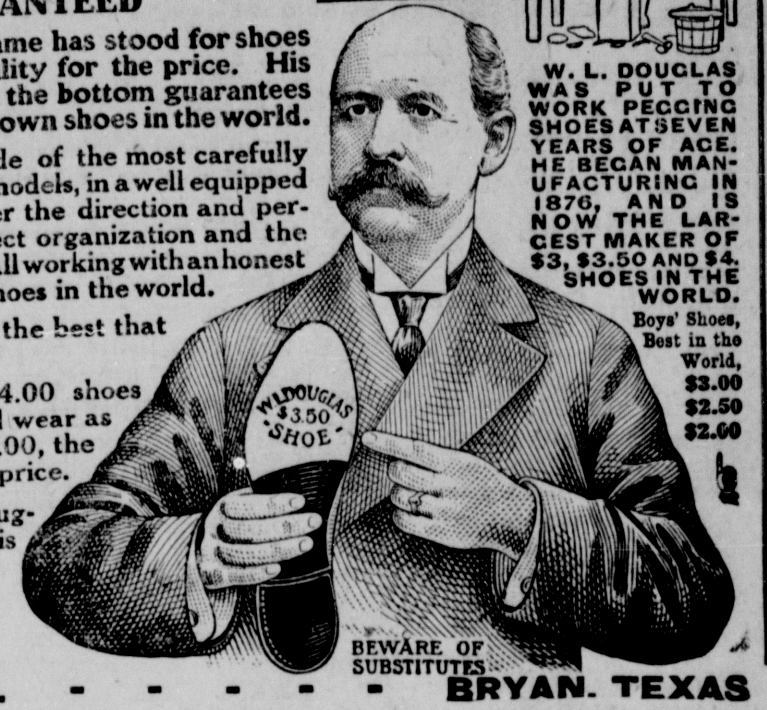
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## GIRLS PRACTICING WAR ECONOMY

How to Live on 15 Cents a Day One of the Problems They Are Trying to Solve.

(Correspondence Associated Press.)

Nancy, France, Dec. 16.—Eighty young girls from Pont-a-Mousson, from Gerbevillers, from Nomeny, from Alsace and different parts of Lorraine are passing their exile here in Nancy, learning domestic economy in a building in which the Germans made cheap soup before the war.

"How to live on 15 cents a day" and have a little something over, is the essence of the problem the girls have to solve. In doing it they begin at the market, learning how to buy, then the value and uses of what they have bought and how to get the most out of it.

The work also includes designing, cutting and sewing.

"We owe it to the soldiers who are fighting that when they return to their destroyed firesides they will find that their children have been neither abandoned nor neglected, but that during their absence they have received the training and education that will enable them to face the future with courage and confidence," said Prefect Mirman to the correspondent after showing him the work rooms.

### AN R. F. D. LIBRARY SERVICE.

In the January Woman's Home Companion is the story of a Maryland woman named Mary Dewitt Titcomb who has extended the field of the Washington County free library until it supplies the loneliest, inaugurating an R. F. D. library service. In reward the trustees have built her a residence attached to the library.

"Miss Titcomb felt that it was necessary for the library to go to those who were not able to come to the library. So, with the consent of the trustees, she built her first 'library wagon.' It was, according to her own description, 'most like a sublimated laundry wagon. There were side doors opening outward, and each side was fitted with shelves full of books. Between the shelves and in the space below were boxes holding more books. Drawn by two dapper mules, the wagon started on its mission of carrying good books to every little crossroads settlement, every hillside farm. An auto has now taken the place of the wagon, and it carries a visiting librarian, who helps farm families and the teachers of remote schools in their selection of books and pictures. It makes two trips a week on sixteen routes, covering the entire county. The county has fifty thousand inhabitants, and last year the circulation of books from the traveling library alone was sixty thousand. Its clients demand less fiction than do the town people, showing a keen interest in works devoted to travel, biography, history, sociology and poetry. Appreciating the value of their librarian, the trustees have built a charming residence, attached to the library just as a manse is to its church, in which Miss Titcomb now lives."

### RETURNED FROM HUNT.

Dr. B. U. Sims, O. E. Saunders and H. N. Rohde have returned from a hunting trip to Richmond, Tex. They report game rather scarce this year and only moderate success. However, they had a delightful outing.

## COMMISSIONERS' COURT PROCEEDINGS

Cattle Dipping Vat to Be Built—Janitor's Salary Cut to \$40.

The commissioners' court adjourned yesterday afternoon, after a session of one week, with Judge Maloney presiding and all members present. Following are the proceedings of the court while in session:

A motion was made and carried that permission be granted to M. F. Dansby and others to construct a dipping vat for cattle on the county farm land, the location of the vat to be fixed by the county. Mr. Dansby is to be required to file a bill of the cost of construction, and charges will be made for dipping until the bill is paid, and then use of the vat will be free except a nominal charge for its maintenance.

Three maps of Brazos County and field notes were purchased from Monroe Edge for \$15.

The court ordered that W. J. Coulter of the good roads advisory committee and Judge J. T. Maloney secure options on land in the vicinity of the good roads to be built by the county.

A motion was made and carried that the salary of the janitor of the courthouse be reduced to \$40 per month. The janitor was formerly paid \$50 per month.

The court was then adjourned.

## NEW AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO NAMED

Diplomatic Relations Restored—Broken Three Years Ago.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador to Chile, was today nominated by President Wilson as ambassador to Mexico. This will restore diplomatic relations with that country which were broken off nearly three years ago.

## CHILD KILLED AND PARENTS INJURED

Clarksville, Tex., Dec. 17.—A child of Ollie Keeling was killed and the parents injured in a wind storm which destroyed their home south of Clarksville last night.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFER

John R. Peyton to L. L. Peyton et als, 112 acres of land lying in the Thomas Yates and Wm. Henry surveys in Brazos and Robertson counties, 53½ acres of land in Robertson County consideration \$1 and other valuable considerations.

John R. Peyton et als to John R. Peyton Jr., 30 acres of land in the Thomas Yates and William Henry surveys in Brazos and Robertson counties, 15 acres of the tract being in each county; consideration \$1 and other valuable considerations.

D. G. Gibson to H. P. Dansby, 120 acres of land in the B. B. B. and C. R. R. 300 acres in Brazos County; consideration \$1,400.

W. C. Mobley to Robert Fuqua, lots 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in block 36 in the town of Millican, in Brazos County; consideration \$1 and other considerations.

## HAS TRAINED HORSE TO BITE PRISONERS

Ellis County Grand Jury Scores Management of County Convict Farm.

(By Associated Press.)

Waxahachie, Tex., Dec. 17.—The report of the grand jury to the district court criticising the management of the Ellis County farm, says that a trained horse is kept to bite prisoners who lag in their farm work. The mean quality of the supplies and unhealthy housing is also charged.

## NEW WHEAT CROP WILL BE LARGE

Will Fall Below This Year's, but Greater Than Past Five-Year Average.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 17.—Next year's winter wheat crop was estimated today at 540,000,000 bushels, more than 100,000,000 bushels short of this year's, but a 100,000,000 more than the five-year average. The estimate was based on the acreage.

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## New Blacksmith Shop

We have purchased the Plasek blacksmith shop on West Anderson street and invite the people of Brazos County to call when in need of anything in our line. We make a specialty of horse-shoeing.

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Old Plasek Stand

## MULES!

A good selection of all classes on hand. Freight prepaid to your station; cash or terms. Write, phone or come.—I. N. CONYERS, Marlin, Texas.

# Problems For Nov. and Dec.

Next Year's Cotton Seed—Anthracnose, or cotton boll rot, has infected all cotton seed grown east of a line running from Wichita Falls south through Llan, Austin Bastrop and Bay City. All farmers east of that line should plow under or cut and burn all cotton stalks and get seed for next year's planting from points west of that line. To plant infected seed will mean disaster to the crop next spring and summer. An opportunity for profitable cooperation is presented to farmers on both sides of the line. Those on the infected side should get together, combine their orders and buy seed in bulk. Farmers in the non-infested area should unite and seek a market for their surplus seed.

The Boll Weevil—There are more boll weevils in the cotton fields of Texas than at any time in the history of the state. The menace to next year's crop is very great. All cotton stalks should have been plowed under or burned before this time, but if this has not been done no time should be lost in attending to this important matter. If the weevils are not destroyed before they go into winter quarters it will be hazardous to plant cotton on the land next year.

The above is copied from Extension Service Farm News—issued semi-monthly at College Station. These bulletins contain valuable information to farmers. They can be obtained for the asking. Get your name on the mailing list.

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# LOOKS LIKE GERMANS PREPARING TO ATTACK

Salonika, on the Greek Coast, Where Two Hundred Thousand Allies Are Encamped, Is the Center of War Interest—A Hundred Thousand Bulgars Are Near at Hand and a Teutonic Attack Is Expected—England Calls Out Those Who Have Volunteered Between the Ages of 19 and 22—The United States Preparing Another Note to Austria and Further Relations Will Depend on Austria's Reply—Eight of Zeppelin Crew That Attacked London Found Frozen to Death on Their Return to Germany—A German General Was Killed in Battle.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 18.—A royal decree today calls out four classes of recruits who have volunteered under the Earl of Derby's plan of raising a new army. The gross number was not given, but the ages range from 19 to 22 years.

The Bulgarian army of 100,000 is resting on the Serbian border, while Saloniki continues the center of war interest.

Belief that the Teutons may force the fight on the allies in the Greek stronghold grows. The latter are fortifying rapidly.

The Teutonic invasion on Montenegro is reported from Berlin to have cleared considerable territory of native troops.

The French chamber yesterday appointed a special parliamentary commission of forty-four to supervise all army supply contracts following many charges of irregularities.

## ANOTHER NOTE TO AUSTRIA

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 18.—President Wilson today began the preparation

of another note to Austria, pursuant to Austria's failure to meet the United States' demands on the sinking of the Ancona.

Future friendly relations between the two countries will depend upon the reply from Austria to the note the president is writing today. It is said it will call upon Austria for a prompt accession to the demands contained in the original notes.

## Zeppelin Crew Froze to Death.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 18.—Eight members of the crew of the Zeppelin which raided London on Oct. 13 were found frozen to death on the return to Germany, according to the Daily Express. It is said to have created a sensation in Germany and possibly deterred further raids.

## German General Killed.

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 18.—Major General Von Stockhausen of the German army has been killed in action, says an Amsterdam dispatch.

Emory, Mrs. W. S. Howell, A. S. Adams, Chas. Wetter and Frank Myers.

A motion was passed that the president appoint a finance committee of five members and same have been designated as follows: J. Webb Howell, A. S. Adams, H. Crenshaw, J. H. Conway and Frank Myers.

Several new members were placed on the membership roll from among those in attendance.

It was decided to hold an open meeting of the association at Carnegie Hall on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 6, and Professors Conway and Kazemir of the A. and M. College were invited to address the meeting.

The association was then adjourned to Tuesday night next at 7:30 o'clock.

## THE DUNLAP PRESS.

Demonstration of His Invention Proved Highly Satisfactory.

Messrs. A. B. Slack and W. Wortham returned to Houston yesterday after a brief visit to this city to inspect the Dunlap round bale press, invented by S. H. Dunlap of this city, of which the Eagle made brief mention yesterday. Mr. Slack is a member of the firm of Hubble & Slack, cotton exporters of Houston, which company is also represented by Mr. Wortham. Both gentlemen state that the round bale is the coming bale, as the shipping rates are almost one-fourth cheaper than the rate on the square bale. For this reason the cotton exporters are looking for a good round bale press that will be satisfactory. We are informed that Mr. Dunlap's press is the only new press invented that has proven anything like satisfactory. The two gentlemen were very favorably impressed with the demonstration, which proved highly successful, the required density and weight being obtained on the bales ginned. The gin battery is fitted with double or twin presses, and while one bale is being covered another bale is being rolled on the opposite press, and hardly a stop is necessary. The bale is rolled around a metal roll, which divides in the center and which tapers toward the middle. This roll can easily be removed from the bale when it is taken from the press. A maximum of about two hundred pounds pressure is used on the bales, which has proven sufficient to make a good solid bale of the required weight.

"Some people are humorous without even knowing it." "As when, for instance?" "Here's a man advertises a lecture on the 'Panama Canal,' illustrated with slides."—Chicago Herald.

A new membership committee was announced as follows: Mrs. G. W. Ald.

# STATE'S WEALTH SET AT \$2,757,060,973

Gain Then Over Previous Year Fifty Million Dollars—Dallas Leads and Harris County Second.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 15.—Total wealth of the state of Texas is \$2,757,060,973, as disclosed by the 1915 tax rolls, filed in the comptroller's department, this being an increase of \$12,795,026 over 1914, when the total assessed valuations amounted to \$2,744,265,947.

This increase is not quite as much as had been estimated, as the increase in 1914 over the previous year was \$50,000,000.

Dallas County led, with a valuation of \$142,135,630; Harris County second, with \$133,204,807; Bexar County third with \$110,414,745, and Tarrant County is fourth, with \$100,257,445.

## AN INTERESTING LECTURE.

A lecture for the Bohemian residents of Brazos County was given at the Queen theater last night in connection with slide pictures of scenes of the old and new world, the greatest scenes of the world and interesting slide pictures of European cities and famous churches. The lecture was given in the Bohemian language by E. Vraz, a well-known Bohemian lecturer, who has made the trip around the world two or three times. The lecture is reported to have been highly interesting. Quite a large number attended the show.

## 600 TURKEYS IN DROVE.

Brought \$961 in Temple Market on Tuesday.

Temple, Tex., Dec. 15.—A drove of 600 turkeys, mobilized at Shalado, twenty miles from Temple, was successfully driven over country roads and through city streets yesterday without a mishap or the loss of a single bird. The drive was made under direction of Will Baker, who, with three assistants, piloted the feathered tribe to a local packery, where they will be transformed into Christmas dinner features within the next few days. It required thirty hours to successfully negotiate the trip, but Baker and his herdsman made it without a bobble. The total weight of the flock was 7,100 pounds, for which was paid 13½¢ per pound, the check in payment thereof amounting to \$961, or slightly over \$1.50 per bird.

## KIT P. JONES DEAD.

Former Citizen of Bryan Died at Anderson.

Relatives and friends in this city were apprised by wire today of the death of Kit P. Jones, which occurred at his home in Anderson yesterday afternoon at 6:45 o'clock. He was about 55 years of age and is survived by his wife and two children. The funeral was held in Anderson this afternoon.

Mr. Jones was for a long time a citizen of Bryan, clerking a number of years for Webb Bros. and later serving the people as county attorney. He and his wife still have many friends here who will deeply regret to learn of his death.

## WALKED TO FAIR, SHOT SELF.

Kansas Girl Who Went West for Her Health Ended Own Life.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 15.—Miss Edith Channel, 23 years old, who walked from Topeka, Kan., to San Francisco to see the exposition, arriving last August, is dead here from a revolver shot through the heart, apparently self-inflicted.

Her body was found last night. Miss Channel made the long walk in search of health, being a sufferer from tuberculosis.

She was recently employed in the exploitation department of the exposition.

# ANOTHER ROBBER GOT 99 YEARS

[By Associated Press.]  
Dallas, Tex., Dec. 15.—Dave Widenor was sentenced to ninety-nine years for robbery with firearms today. He pleaded guilty yesterday with Frank Kelley.

# POOL HALL LAW AGAIN UPHELD

[By Associated Press.]  
Austin, Tex., Dec. 15.—The constitutionality of the pool hall law was again upheld by the court of criminal appeals in a case from McLennan County.

# MOST VALUABLE CROP IN HISTORY

Total Value Runs to Five and a Half Billion—Is Far Ahead of Last Year.

[By Associated Press.]  
Washington, Dec. 15.—The year's principal farm crops were worth \$5,500,000,000 at December prices, according to a department announcement today. The value exceeds last year's more than a half billion and is considered the most valuable in the history of the country.

# DANIELS SAYS SOUTH NEEDS PROTECTION

Cotton Should Be Guaranteed Safe Transportation by Adequate Navy.

[By Associated Press.]  
Charleston, S. C., Dec. 15.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels in a speech here today before the Southern Commercial Congress, declared the South needs the protection of an adequate navy. He said the principal crop—cotton—must largely be sold abroad and in future our merchant marine should be backed up by the navy.

# MEXICAN BANDITS HAD SLICK SCHEME

Filched the Public for a Million Dollars, Claiming to Be Army Officers.

[By Associated Press.]  
Galveston, Tex., Dec. 15.—The authorities in the City of Mexico have arrested thirteen bandits who have swindled the public out of a million dollars by representing themselves to be army officers, according to a cablegram received at the consulate here today.

## WILL MOVE TO WHARTON.

D. C. Buchanan and family of Harvey have arranged to move to Wharton, where Mr. Buchanan will be connected with one of the large plantations near Wharton in the capacity of manager. They will move immediately after Christmas so as to be located and ready for business on Jan. 1.

## BRYAN STREET SIDEWALKS.

Contractor T. B. Hubbard has broken dirt on the new sidewalks to be laid on Bryan street, the plowing being started yesterday afternoon. He reports that part of his material has arrived and more is expected in the next few days. He does not anticipate any delay from this source.

# FORMER LORD CHIEF JUSTICE IS DEAD

[By Associated Press.]  
London, Dec. 15.—Viscount Alverstone, former lord chief justice of England died today.

## GAUSS-WHITE.

A wedding, beautiful in its plan of solemnization and of social interest to many friends, was that of Miss Ethel White and Mr. Phil W. Gauss, which took place Tuesday at 3:15 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. R. J. Roberts, a very few close friends and relatives being present to witness the nuptials.

A pink color motif was chosen for development throughout the decorations and the entire reception suite was fragrant and doubly inviting in a floral adornment of Killarney roses against the green of foliage plants and vine twinnings. Pink baskets tied with deeper colored tulle and filled with the gorgeous blossoms occupied places of vantage every where. The shades were drawn and with the soft lights from the electrolite, lighted tapers in silver spires and blazing wood fires in the grates, the illumination produced just the softness that lent much to the effectiveness of it all.

The ceremony was performed in the library, where an improvised altar was fashioned of palms and ferns. An arch twined gracefully with plumed fern and pink satin ribbon was formed, and at each side brass pedestals held pink baskets tied with pink maline and filled with Killarney buds. The arrangement revealed the artistic touch of those who had so lovingly brought about such an adaptation of

floral decoration for this occasion, which was indeed the most profound event in the life of one to whom they are so endeared.

The marriage ceremony was solemnly and impressively pronounced by Rev. M. E. Weaver, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the vows were sealed with the marriage ring. Miss Franchelle Roberts, a niece of the bride, was the only attendant. Costumed in a black velvet coat suit and a picture hat, she advanced in front of the bride and groom, carrying the ring in the heart of a Killarney bud.

The bride wore a navy blue velvet coat suit, fur trimmed, with a flesh colored chiffon and lace blouse.

She wore a corsage bouquet of valley lilies and ferns.

Many beautiful gifts were received from friends, attesting the popularity of the young couple and the sincere good wishes of a host of their loving friends.

The bride is a young lady of culture and charming personality and is beloved by all who know her for her sincere and gracious friendship.

Mr. Gauss was reared in St. Louis, but is now assistant manager of the Texas Oil Company at Port Arthur. He is a young man of unusual business qualities and has been exceedingly successful in his pursuits.

Immediately after the ceremony the young couple, accompanied by relatives, took autos for the Houston & Texas Central station. Here they found a number of dear friends who came to extend heartiest wishes and congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Gauss went to New Orleans, sailing from there to Havana, Cuba, and before returning home will visit in Florida.

## DEATH OF MRS. W. H. WALKER.

Without Warning Death Comes to One of Bryan's Christian Mothers.

Mrs. Alice Walker, widow of the late W. H. Walker, died suddenly at her home in this city at 6:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It was so sudden, so unexpected, the people were slow to realize or believe it, but when it became known and the terrible reality dawned upon them, a pall of sorrow and a feeling of depression settled over all the city. Only twelve days ago her husband was taken and now she has gone on to join him in that land where separations will be known no more. Looking at it in that light, her death is beautiful, a victory, a triumph, but when we think of the sadness it brings to the living, the separation from loved ones, we are overwhelmed with an inexpressible sorrow and brought face to face with the truth that in the midst of life we are in death.

She was in her usual good health and had just concluded a telephone conversation and resumed her seat in front of the fire when the death angel came, and she slept; her spirit had gone home to be with God.

Mrs. Walker was a native of Brazos

County and was born in the Thompson Creek community a few miles west of Bryan Nov. 15, 1856, making her 59 years, one month and two days of age at the time of her death. She was married to Mr. W. H. Walker at Alexander May 20, 1877, and they had lived in the county and in the city of Bryan continuously since.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church and had been a member of that organization since girlhood. During all her years on earth she had lived a beautiful Christian life, doing good wherever opportunity presented and ministering to all who needed help. Such a life is glorious, such a death a beautiful falling asleep in Jesus, a glorious victory.

She is survived by one son, C. G. Walker, one sister, Mrs. Betty Skains of Franklin, one brother, W. A. McMillan of Calvert, and a half-sister, Mrs. Maggie Holden of Calvert.

The funeral was held from the family home at 4 o'clock this afternoon, with interment in the City Cemetery. Her pastor, Rev. C. T. Tally, conducted the funeral services.

LOST—Black sow and shoat. Sow's mark, both ears cut off. Shoat unmarked. Sow has white stripe between ears and weighs about 200 lbs. Shoat about 60 lbs. Reward, \$2. Mike Weisaski, Route 4.

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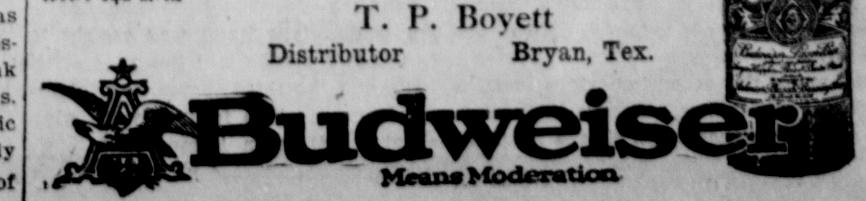
Sold in Bryan and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by M. H. James and the Smith Drug Company.



# John Hancock—"Father of the Revolution"

UPON the Declaration of Independence his name may be read without spectacles. His signature was the first subscribed to the world's most famous State document. In the most realistic sense John Hancock pledged his life and his fortune to the cause of the Revolution. He was one of the richest men in the colonies, holding investments in banks, breweries, stores, hotels, and also owning a fleet of vessels. The seizure of one of these precipitated the Boston massacre. In Revolutionary days and until his death he was a popular idol. When it was proposed to bombard Boston, though it would have resulted in greater personal loss to him than to any other property owner, he begged that no regard be paid to him because of his financial interests. While Hancock did not sign the Constitution of the United States, he used his great influence in its behalf, which awakened the gratitude of Washington. "He was prepossessing in manner, and passionately fond of the elegant pleasures of life, of dancing, music, concerts, routs, assemblies,

card parties, rich wines, social dinners and festivities." Until the end of his life the people of Massachusetts loved to honor him. In the stirring events preceding the Revolution he was one of the most influential members of the Sons of Liberty. To this tireless worker for American Independence Liberty was the very breath of life. He would have frowned upon any legislation which would restrict the natural rights of man, and would have voted NO to prohibition enactments. It was upon the tenets of our National Spoken Word that Anheuser-Busch 58 years ago founded their great institution. To-day throughout the length and breadth of the Free Republic their honest brews are famed for quality, purity, mildness and exquisite flavor. Their brand BUDWEISER has daily grown in popularity until 7500 people are daily required to meet the public demand. Its sales exceed any other beer by millions of bottles. ANHEUSER-BUSCH ST. LOUIS, U. S. A.



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## MERCHANT HAD EXCITING EXPERIENCE

Threw Lighted Lamp in Burglar's Face, Was Badly Injured and Lost Store and Money.

[By Associated Press.]  
Annona, Tex., Dec. 20.—D. C. Welch threw a lighted lamp into the face of a burglar in his merchandise store today, but was too late. The lamp burned the store, and the burglar escaped with \$250. Welch was badly injured.

### DR. WEAVER HONORED.

Boston Concern Asked to Publish Sermons in Book Form.

The following letter from a publishing house in Boston to Dr. M. E. Weaver of this city is self-explanatory:

Boston, Mass., Nov. 29.—Dear Sir: We have been impressed by an article from your pen in the Baptist Standard, which leads us to suggest the possibility of our bringing out a volume of yours if you have sufficient available material at hand.

Most of our publications are of a religious, philosophical or ethical character, and into this list we believe a volume of yours, judging by what we have read, would very suitably go. We have issued not a few books by prominent members of the Baptist, Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopal and other denominations, as well as by presidents of and professors in various colleges and universities. Copies of recent editions of our catalogues, indicating the character and range of some of our publications, we shall be glad to send you for examination if you so desire.

If you have nothing at hand at the present time to submit to us, and are not likely to have anything available in the near future, will you not kindly drop us just a line to that effect, so that we may dismiss such a possibility from our immediate prospects, as we are now formulating our year's list as rapidly as possible, and wish to lay our plans as far ahead as we can? Hoping, however, that your reply need not be in the negative, believe us, very truly yours,

SHERMAN, FRENCH & CO.

### MADE BIG PROFIT FROM ONE PIG.

Colored Man Profited From Booker T. Washington's Suggestion.

Editor of The Eagle:

Last spring when Booker T. Washington issued a proclamation that every colored man and boy in the United States raise a pig, I bought a pig in March and paid \$2.50 for him. He was given the best care and attention and on Nov. 29 I killed him. He netted 298 pounds, made 80 pounds of lard, 40 pounds of sausage meat, 10 lbs. of cracklings and I put up 165 pounds of meat to be cured. It cost, including the price of the pig, \$12.50 to put him in the smoke house. Here is my profit: 165 pounds of meat at 10c per pound, \$16.50; 40 pounds of sausage, at 12c per pound, \$4.80; 80 pounds of lard, at 15c per pound, \$12, which makes a total of \$33.30. The cost was \$12.50 in nine months, which gives me a profit of \$21. This shows what we can do by raising one pig.

ED SCOTT (Colored).

Bryan, Tex.

### IMPROVING PARK.

The ladies of the Civic League are still at work in their efforts to improve the Civic Park and make it the beauty spot of Bryan. Their latest move is to purchase twenty jessamine bushes and twenty-four white elm trees from C. C. Kirtley & Son of Cameron and same are being planted under the personal direction of Mr. Kirtley. These additional trees are well selected, as both the jessamine and elm are hardy and when full grown are among the prettiest trees and shrubs that can be found. The Japanese ligustrum trees, the first planted in the park, are growing slowly, but none of them have died, and no doubt after getting a good start their growth will be much better.

### U. D. C. MEETING.

The L. S. Ross Chapter, U. D. C., met Friday at 3 o'clock, Dec. 17, in their club rooms, Carnegie Hall, to hold their December meeting. Mrs. Taliaferro, the president, presiding.

It was decided to contribute \$5 to the memorial fund, which proposes to build a memorial to Jefferson Davis, this memorial to be placed at the Jefferson Davis home, along the Jefferson Davis highway, which passes through this historic spot.

The chapter offers this next year a medal to the Bryan High School for the best paper on Southern history.

Among the other important matters decided at this meeting was the unanimous vote that steps should be taken

to "can" the Rebel yell and a committee was appointed to confer with the veterans on this important point.

Mrs. Cline, the delegate to the state meeting, gave a most interesting resume of the work of that organization, bringing home with her much enthusiasm for the cause.

Mrs. J. W. Cavitt read by request an address given by her brother, Major S. Griffin of Bedford City, Va. This address was given to the veterans at Fredericksburg, Va., this last October and was teeming with interest and life, linking the past with the present. Major Griffin is 76 years old and is grand commander of the Virginia camp.

Three beautiful musical numbers were briefly enjoyed. The complete program was as follows:

Piano (selected), Miss Villa McCalloch.

Report of delegate, Mrs. W. B. Cline.

Vocal, Miss Willie Rogers.

Reading, Mrs. J. W. Cavitt.

Piano, Miss Frances Mike.

### NOTICE.

To all land owners in Brazos County who have or think they have deposits of gravel or rock, you are hereby notified that the road committee will not deal or buy from promoters, but desire to deal with the land owners direct, to the end that the best interest of the farmer and the road district may be served.

J. T. MALONEY,  
County Judge Brazos County.

### SECOND HOG THEFT CHARGE.

A second complaint for stealing hogs was filed against Coochie Johnson and Life Austin, colored, this morning. The new charge is for stealing hogs from M. F. Dansby. They were arrested last week on a charge of stealing hogs from a negro, and are being held in jail to await an examining trial, which will be given them this week.

### BAPTIST CHURCH OFFICERS.

List of Officers to Serve the Church During 1916.

The officers of the First Baptist Church and the church auxiliaries to serve during 1916 were elected yesterday as follows:

General finance committee, consisting of the board of deacons: W. R. Sanders, chairman; H. O. Boatwright, W. A. Withers, H. H. Newton, J. M. Hare, Tom E. Taylor, Paul F. Keeton, W. S. Howell, Jno. A. Moore and the following laymen: Dr. J. W. Howell, J. Webb Howell, P. S. Park, S. C. Williams, Eugene Edge, E. F. Parks, E. J. Fountain, J. H. Conway, T. R. Batte, W. C. Davis, A. W. Buchanan, J. H. McCullough, J. W. Hunnicutt, J. B. Saunders, O. P. Hall, Clarence Ousley, S. H. Dunlap, M. H. James, W. S. Wilson, R. B. Grant and Jno. C. Vick.

Chairman subscription committee: H. O. Boatwright.

Chairman of finance committee: Eugene Edge.

Treasurer of church: W. A. Withers.

Assistant treasurer of church: E. F. Parks.

Clerk of church: J. M. Hare.

Assistant clerk of church: H. H. Newton.

Head usher: H. O. Boatwright.

Organist of the church: Mrs. H. O. Boatwright.

Assistant organist of the church: Mrs. Robert S. Webb Sr.

### Sunday School Officers.

Superintendent, Jno. A. Moore; assistant superintendent, T. R. Batte; treasurer, Robert Smith; organist, Mrs. W. C. Davis; assistant organist, Miss Annie Belle Batte.

The present teachers of the Sunday school were re-elected to serve during 1916.

Officers of the Ladies' Aid Society.

Mrs. E. H. Astin (re-elected), president; Mrs. E. J. Fountain, vice president; Mrs. A. J. Buchanan (re-elected) recording and corresponding secretary; Mrs. Nannie Williams (re-elected), treasurer.

The Baptist Young People's Union did not elect officers.

## U. S. OFFICER HELD AS GERMAN SPY

Washington, Dec. 20.—Lieutenant Edward Dynner of the United States army in the Philippines, and who is on leave of absence, is reported detained in Singapore as a German spy.

### HAD FINGERS MASHED.

J. A. Blume, a local carpenter, had two fingers of his right hand painfully mashed yesterday while engaged at his trade. The hand was caught between two planks and the ends of the little and the third finger were almost mashed off. The injury was given surgical attention immediately.

## DANIELS BELIEVES IN DREADNAUGHTS

Advocates Increasing Navy Units in Numbers Rather Than Size—Most of Report Secret.

Washington, Dec. 16.—From the lessons of the European war the navy department has reached the conclusion that the "dreadnought," most nearly approaches the ideal as a warship, according to a report sent to congress Tuesday by Secretary of the Navy Daniels. The department, however, recommends a balanced construction program, holding that "it is decidedly better to increase the fighting units in numbers rather than in size."

The report was submitted in reply to a provision of the last naval appropriation bill asking the secretary to inform congress as to "the building of four warships of the type, power and speed which, in the secretary's judgment, based on a knowledge gained from the prevailing war in Europe, are best suited for war on the sea; also to report in the light of that war the value and uses in naval warfare of dirigibles, aeroplanes and submarines."

After reviewing the uses of submarines the secretary said:

"My conclusions are that an adequate number of submarines must be included in any well balanced project of new construction, but that they have not demonstrated that they possess a preponderant value over other requisite types."

"Much of the department's information in regard to the details affecting the efficiency of belligerent ships is in the form of confidential reports which it would be contrary to the public interest to make public in any way. There are, however, several conclusions which can be laid down with confidence as the result of general considerations based on the well-known operations to date."

### Maintains Sea Command.

"The first and most important lesson is that the British grand fleet, composed not only of dreadnoughts and super-dreadnoughts, but also of battle cruisers, light cruisers, destroyers, submarines and auxiliaries, has to date maintained command of the sea, thereby assuring to Great Britain and her allies communication with all parts of the world and reasonably safe overseas transport for her military forces and supplies, at the same time denying similar advantages to her adversaries."

"My reply, therefore, to the single type of warship best suited for war on the sea is that such a vessel must possess in the maximum degree each and all of the four prime requisites mentioned in the naval appropriation act in connection with our battleships which are required to be vessels carrying as heavy armor and as powerful armament as any vessel of their class, to have the highest practicable speed and greatest desirable radius of action."

"Of present and practicable types of vessels the so-called dreadnoughts most nearly approach the ideal aimed at in the clause of the last naval appropriation act."

### Efficient Scout Cruisers.

The report reviewed the activities of the German light cruisers which swept the seas, destroying commerce, as an argument for building up a force of efficient scout cruisers and battle cruisers.

"It is a notable fact," it said, "that in every naval event of consequence which has occurred in the North Sea area, the leading parts have been taken by vessels of the battle cruiser and scout cruiser type, and it is evident that had either side lacked such vessels it would have been at a disadvantage."

On the subject of aeroplanes the report said:

"The value of aircraft can not be more forcibly stated than in the words of a prominent officer of one of the belligerent nations, addressed to the representative assembly to which he is responsible for the conduct of the war."

"It goes without saying, with regard to the proper use of artillery and to reconnaissance work of all kinds, both on sea and on land, that the extended scientific use of aeroplanes has become one of the most rudimentary necessities of every army and navy. Any government would be grossly negligent of its duty if it did not make every effort both to extend the mechanical development of the aeroplane and to secure an adequate supply of well-instructed and well-trained pilots and observers."

### JAMES S. HENRY DEAD.

One of the County's Old Citizens Entered Into Rest.

James S. Henry, a well known citizen

of the Thompson Creek community, and one of Brazos County's oldest residents, died at his home at 6 o'clock this morning, after an illness of about a week with a severe attack of pleurisy.

Mr. Henry was about 63 years of age and was born and reared in Brazos County, and has made his home in the Thompson Creek community practically all his life. He was a farmer and had also followed the carpenter's trade in Bryan for many years.

He had many friends in Bryan and over the county who express heartfelt sympathy for the relatives and members of the family in their great loss. He was a liberal hearted citizen, a good friend and neighbor, and was ever ready to bestow an act of kindness wherever possible.

He is survived by his wife and four children, two sons, Ivan and William Henry, and two daughters, Mrs. Stella Upright and Mrs. Onie Sanders.

The funeral will be held from the residence tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock and the remains laid to rest in the old Henry graveyard.

### NEW LIGHTS ORDERED.

Ornamental Lights to Convert Main Street into Great White Way.

Mayor W. W. Harris informed the Eagle today that he had placed an order with the Southwestern Electric Company for fifty-three pressed steel, ornamental one-light poles to be placed along Main street, where the sockets for same were left when the street was paved. Mr. Harris states that a conference with the members of the city council was held by him, and with one or two exceptions they all agreed to the purchase. The poles will cost \$19 each fully equipped, and the charges for installing them will make a total cost of about \$1,050.

An effort was made by the city at the time the street was paved to get the merchants along the street to pay part of the cost of the poles, but the request met with a very indifferent response. The places for the poles were then covered with a concrete covering for protection until such time as the lights were ready to be installed.

The new lights along Main street will help the looks of the street wonderfully, and when installed and the lights burning Bryan will have one of the best lighted Main streets of any city in the state.

## ONLY \$300,000 IS NOW OUTSTANDING

Second Call for Treasury Warrants Within a Week Made—Tax Money Coming In.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 16.—The second call for treasury warrants during the week and the sixth since the state went on a deficiency was announced Wednesday by Treasurer J. M. Edwards. The call includes warrants through number 13,649 and amounts to \$299,000. All warrants issued prior to Dec. 5 are included in the call. At this date approximately \$300,000 is outstanding. The call was made possible by heavy tax collection returns and the payment of the penalties secured by the state against the packing house interests for violation of the anti trust laws.

## POLES TRAINING IN UNITED STATES

The Drilling Is for the Freedom of Poland, or Defense of the United States.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Dec. 16.—Camps for the military training of Poles have been established in various centers throughout the United States, according to Sub. Lieutenant Wacław Stzypinski, who commands the camp near Haverstraw, N. Y. The purpose of the drills is to free Poland or defend the United States in war, according to Lieutenant Stzypinski, who estimates that 3,000 Poles have been trained, or are in training.

### CUSPIDORS FOR MARKETS.

Dr. R. H. Harrison, county health officer, requests the Eagle to announce that under the state law governing same, the local meat markets will be required in the future to provide cuspidors for their establishments, and that the proprietors will be required to see that no expectorating is done by customers or employees of said places of business on the floors. He will also require all cuspidors to be cleaned daily.

## PASSENGER TRAIN ON K. C. ROBBED

Blew Safe, and Securing Nothing, Rifled Mail Car, Taking Registered Packages.

[By Associated Press.]

Mena, Ark., Dec. 16.—The south-bound passenger train No. 1 of the Kansas City Southern, was held up and robbed today between Engleton and Acorn, Ark. The bandits blew open the safe of the express car, but got nothing there. They then rifled the mail car and got four registered packages.

## TWO TEXAS POSTMASTERS NAMED

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 16.—President Wilson today nominated as postmasters, H. L. Piner at Denison and William A. Fields at Hillsboro.

### MONROE EDGE RESIGNED.

The commission court now in session has received the resignation of Monroe Edge as justice of the peace of Precinct No. 3 of Brazos County, same to take effect immediately. By motion duly carried the resignation was accepted and M. P. Elliott of said precinct was appointed to the office. Mr. Elliott accepted the appointment and has made bond and taken the oath of office.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

James Godine to J. B. Priddy, lots 1 and 2 in block 2 of the Priddy & Lawrence resurvey of the Chew addition to the city of Bryan; consideration \$275.

D. M. and M. F. Dansby to Wilson Bradley et al, lots A and B in James subdivision of lot 5 of Mitchell's addition to the city of Bryan; consideration \$300.

W. H. McMichael to F. M. Wallace, 420 acres of land in the Thomas James league in Brazos County; consideration \$3,500.

don't show up very well in a crowd." —Buffalo Express.

## Christmas Here Again!

And finds us with an unusually large stock of goods on hand. I bought these goods right and am going to sell my Christmas stock right. The season finds us with the greatest variety of holiday packages in the well known and famous brands, such as Harper's Rye, Paul Jones, Cold Tea, F. G. Craig, Four-Roses and many other brands of

## Malt, Sour Mash

AND RYE WHISKIES

And all kinds of Wines, American and Imported. I invite the trade of Brazos and surrounding counties to come in and make your purchases. Let me fill your Christmas Jugs.

## The Royal Saloon

Joe Groginski, Prop.

BRYAN, TEXAS

## Holiday Excursion Fares!

STATE AND INTERSTATE VIA

New through Galveston train arriving 9:25 a. m.



Sleepers on night trains to Houston, Waco, Ft Worth, Austin, Palestine

FOR PARTICULARS SEE

H. N. SANDALL, Ticket Agt.



FRAMERS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE U.S.A. NO. 3

## The Pinckneys—"Fathers of the Republic"

PERHAPS South Carolina's best gift to this Free Republic was the splendid services of her two great sons—Charles Cotesworth Pinckney and Charles Pinckney. It can truthfully be said of the Pinckneys that their love of honor was greater than their love of power, and deeper than their love of self. One played an important part in the "Louisiana Purchase"—the other, while an envoy to France, was told that the use of money would avert war, and to this replied: "Millions for defense, but not one cent for tribute." Both devoted their eminent abilities toward framing our National Law. The Constitution of the United States, as it stands to-day, was built upon the framework of a plan first proposed by Charles Pinckney. It was he who demanded that it contain freedom of religion, freedom of the press, habeas corpus and trial by jury. In political faith only did these two great men differ. Charles Pinckney was an ardent Democrat, and Charles C. Pinckney a loyal Federalist, and was twice a candidate for President. It is easy to imagine the horror that these two great lovers of Personal Liberty would have expressed if shown the proposed Prohibition Laws of to-day. It is needless to say that if alive they would VOTE NO to such tyrannous encroachments upon the NATURAL RIGHTS OF MAN. The Pinckneys both believed in the moderate use of light wines and barley brews. They also believed in legislation which encouraged the Brewing Industry, because they knew that honest Barley Beer makes for true temperance. For 58 years Anheuser-Busch have been brewers of honest Barley-Malt and Saazer Hop beers—the kind the Pinckneys knew to be good for mankind. To-day their great brand—BUDWEISER—because of its quality, purity, mildness and exquisite flavor, exceeds the sale of any other beer by millions of bottles; 7500 people are daily required to keep pace with the public demand for BUDWEISER.

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